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Dist. Tournament Begins Today

TEN TEAMS ENTER BASKETBALL TESTS

Ten basketball teams representing ten high schools in Northern Michigan are gathered in Grayling today to participate in the annual basketball tournament. These teams have been getting ready for some time for this big event, which is a great one in the lives of the young men who have qualified to represent their school at this tournament. Each team is confident that they will be champion, and there will be some keen playing as it is a point to have all players in fine shape for the battle. No matter what season records have been they have nothing to do with the district tournament; each team starts with a clean slate. Winners in the district tournament

made the same number or percentage of any of the above items, the points for that item are to be divided equally between them. The team having the greater total of the above points is to be declared the winner.

If the total of the above points for each team is still a tie, each member of the teams on the court at the conclusion of the game is to throw one free throw and that team which makes the greater number is to be declared the winner. If after the first round of free throws the score is still tied, a second round is to be thrown and as many additional rounds as are necessary to decide the game. The free throws shall be thrown alternately by members of the two teams.

The team which is awarded the game on the basis of the total of points or by the throwing of free throws is to have one point added to its game score and that will stand as the official score of the game.

Tournament officials include M. A. Bates, manager, T. P. Peterson and Emil Kraus.



qualify for the regional tournaments and in turn the winners of the regional contests take part in the final events to be held in Lansing for the state championship.

Afternoon games will start at 2:00 o'clock and the evening games at 8:00 o'clock. Adult season tickets are \$1.00 this year, 75c for children's tickets. Single admissions afternoon, adults 35c, children 25c; evening games, adults 50c, children 35c.

Coaches of the various schools met in Grayling last Saturday afternoon for the drawings and Gaylord St. Mary's and Johannesburg drew boys. The first games will be played to-night when Roscommon and Mio will meet at 8:00 o'clock and Houghton Lake and West Branch St. Joseph's at 9:00 o'clock. On Friday afternoon St. Mary's will play the winner of the Roscommon-Mio game at 2:00 o'clock and Johannesburg will play the winner of the Houghton Lake-St. Joseph game at 3:00 o'clock. These are all Class D teams.

Friday night the first class C teams will compete for four honors. The first game will be between West Branch and Lake City and the second between Gaylord and Grayling. All of these teams are evenly matched and there will be plenty of thrills for fans. There will be no games Saturday afternoon, and the finals will be played Saturday evening and honors presented to the winners.

Big crowds are expected from the neighboring towns and the attendance no doubt will be large at all events. Gordon D. Tabraham of Cadillac and R. O. Milnes, Grayling have been assigned as referees for the tournament games. Fred Alexander as timekeeper, and Gerald Poor will be scorer.

The Games.

There are to be no overtime games. If, at the expiration of the regulation game time, the score of the team is tied, the winning team is to be declared the one which has the greater total of the following points:

- 1.—Five points are to be awarded to the team which made the greater number of field goals.
- 2.—Four points are to be awarded to the team which made the greater percentage of its attempted free throws.
- 3.—Three points are to be awarded to the team which made the lesser number of personal fouls. In the event that both teams

ODD THINGS AND NEW—By Lane Bode



SENIOR PLAY HERE NEXT WEEK

The Jinx of Hard Luck pursues the seniors in their efforts to stage a play. This time it's the very popular Au. It has been quite the thing in Grayling High to have this prevalent malady, and the play taste has been hard hit with a persistence that makes it seem to have been especially singled out for attention by an entirely too attentive fate.

Practices have been held regularly every night, but Miss Berry, director, has been on the sick list and that adds to the difficulties immeasurably. Besides that two or three members of the cast are often on the list of casualties and practice is again handicapped. When one player has to go through his own lines and at the same time read the part of another from a playbook, practice of an adequate nature is most difficult.

The tickets are out and on sale through members of the Senior class. Posters have been placed in downtown windows. The reserved seating chart is at the usual place—Olsen's Drug Store—with reservations already upon it. With any sort of luck the play will be presented on schedule.

In case there might have to be another change of date—and it is devoutly hoped that none will be necessary—announcement will be made through this paper, on the day preceding the present date set—March 11th.

The cast includes ten of Grayling's popular seniors and the players chosen seem to be very well cast for their respective roles. The seniors chosen are: Irene Randolph, Esther Caboon, Evelyn Jordan, Florence Kellogg, Estella Larson, Harry Weiss, Billy Foley, James Miller, Russell Dunham, and Billy Harrison. Several of this group helped to stage last year's Junior play which was such an outstanding success.

COMING

Dr. A. S. Allard, optometrist of Bay City, will be in Grayling at Shoppengans Inn Thursday, March 10. Eyes examined and glasses fitted that give years of comfort at a reasonable price.

Remember the date, Thursday, March 10.

Dr. A. S. Allard.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and expressions of sympathy during the illness and death of our mother, Mrs. Mary Ferguson.

The family.

DEPOSITORS TO GET DIVIDEND IN APRIL

Mr. Thompson of the First National Bank of Bay City Trust department called at the Avalanche office last week Thursday and assured us that a substantial dividend would be paid the depositors of the Bank of Grayling in April.

The Bank of Grayling closed its doors June 22nd and it has now been nearly nine months that the depositors have waited for the payment of a dividend. This delay, says Mr. Thompson, is due to the fact that the First National Bank, the receiver for the Bank of Grayling, also went into the hands of a receiver and this muddy matters up somewhat and delayed the operation of the affairs of the Grayling bank. The news that a substantial dividend will be paid in April should be somewhat cheering to many who have all their money tied up in the former Grayling bank.

The adjustment of a number of local claims also were material in causing the delay of the final determination of the Bank's affairs. One of the members of the depositors committee reports that a matter pertaining to the exemptions due Marius Hanson, owner of the defunct bank, have now been completed and only await confirmation of the circuit court.

The collection of accounts due the bank will be pushed and, Mr. Thompson stated, quite a number of suits will be started in justice court in order to secure judgments upon which execution proceedings may be begun.

To Establish Trust Fund. Mr. Thompson also stated that a Trust Company was being formed by himself and others for the handling of estates and for the care of trust funds and property affairs. Such an organization performs many tasks that are helpful to the public in general, and no doubt many Grayling people would be glad to get in touch with them when they are ready for business.

PREDICT EARLY SMELT RUN

An early run of smelt up the streams along the Lake Michigan shore is expected by the Department of Conservation because of the open winter. It is considered likely that the run will begin the first or second week of March.

Because of the fact that large catches of smelt have been taken through the ice and from the docks in open water during the winter, the run this spring is expected to be the largest in the history of the species in Michigan.

During the "runs" smelt may be taken with hand nets of not more than five feet in circumference or with handles not over five feet in length, from the following streams as designated by the Conservation Commission.

Charlevoix County: Boyne River down from Pearl St. in Boyne City; Deer Creek down from dam on Sec. 25, South Arm Township; Horton Creek down from dam on Sec. 6, Bay Township; Monroe Creek down from Highway Bridge; Porter Creek down from dam situated 720 feet from the mouth; Storer Creek down from the dam situated 450 feet from mouth. Benzie County: Cold Creek down from north side of Clark Street in village of Beulah; Crystal Lake outlet above Hammond's Bridge; Round Lake outlet. All other streams entering Crystal Lake down from road around lake.

RAMBLERS BEATEN BY LUMBER JACKS

The Roscommon Ramblers' string of triumphs came to a sudden and abrupt ending here last Friday night when Spike McNeven's Lumberjacks subdued their southern neighbors 33-39 in a contest that proved to be as exciting an engagement as those two teams ever staged.

Roscommon produced as dangerous a pair of scoring guards as seen on the local court this year and held a small margin during the first half of the fracas, dropping in many long shots that were altogether too uncomfortable for the Jacks and Grayling fans. Williams especially found the loop time and time again from part mid-floor playing the same ball game for which he was known when in high school a few years back, if you recall. Dick Price, guard and capable running mate, caged three long runs also. Shortly after the second half began, the "Toboggan Slide Five" found a combination that clicked and with the attack centered around Harrison, local pivot man, they embarked upon a scoring program that proved their superiority in more ways than one. Almost at will Harrison penetrated the opposing defense for scores from close range which after all is a feat that deserves honest-to-goodness basketball.

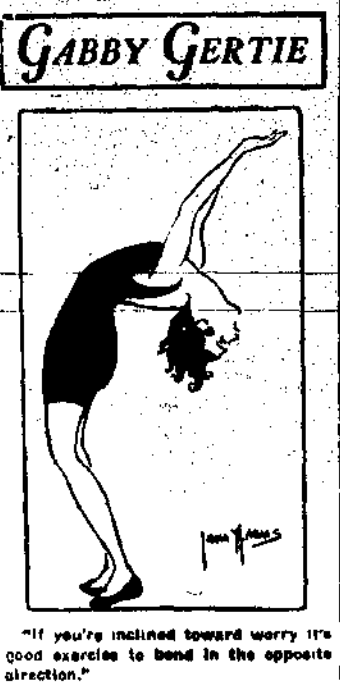
Roscommon—33.		
Player,	Pos.	FG PF
McCaun, F.	2	0
Emery, F.	11	2
Matheson, F.	2	0
Rutledge, G.	1	0
Price, G.	6	1
Williams, G.	12	4
Total	33	8
Grayling—39.		
Player,	Pos.	FG PF
Robertson, F.	6	1
Hendrickson, F.	6	1
LaGrow, F.	8	1
Harrison, C.	24	1
Brady, G.	0	1
Korhonen, G.	1	1
Total	39	6

Substitutions: Roscommon—Matheson for McCaun; McCaun for Williams.

Grayling: LaGrow for Robertson.

Referee: Chas. Webb.

CARD OF THANKS
The family of the late David Lovely acknowledges with grateful appreciation the many kind acts and expressions of sympathy of their neighbors and friends.



GIVE MOTHER AND DAUGHTER BANQUET

The Mother and Daughter banquet held in the dining room of the Michelson Memorial church Monday night was a delightfully novel affair. Miss Louise McAllister at the piano, greeted the guests with "poppy" music as the Women's Club members, with their mothers and daughters entered the dining room and found places at the tables—mothers seated on one side, daughters on the other.

Mrs. T. P. Peterson as Mistress of Ceremonies, then announced that several contests would be in order between the different courses of the meal. The first tested the skill and ingenuity of the mothers and daughters in fashioning headgear for themselves from paper and pins which were provided. Five minutes being the allotted time before the judges awarded the prizes. The winning mother, Mrs. Roy Milnes was presented with a diamond pin (a dime and a pin). The winning daughter, Mary Gretchen Connine, was given a pair of slippers, which proved to be a pair of banana peelings.

In the next contest the mothers competed with the daughters to determine which were the better singers. The mothers winning the prizes of "blue notes" on the merits of fervency if not of melody.

In the third contest the daughters rendered a song of the gay nineties, "In the Good Old Summer Time." The mothers crooned a more modern ditty, "When the Moon Comes Over the Mountain." The mothers again won the prizes—five clothes lines representing the five lines of the staff. The judges in the three contests were Miss Rosalyn Lewis and Mrs. Harold Jarmin.

After the sumptuous banquet, prepared and served by the Ladies Aid, the program was continued; the mother throughout being mothers THEN and NOW. All the characters were portrayed so well that it is very difficult to particularize.

Misses Louise McAllister and Vella Termann sang an old time duet, "Last Night the Nightingale Woke Me" accompanied on the melodeon by Miss Betty Welsh. Following which two of our mothers, Mrs. Geo. McCullough and Mrs. Helger Schmidt delighted the audience with their saphyrophonic performances. However, at the conclusion of the number, the real saxophone players, Misses Eva Dell and Kathryn Brown, stepped from behind the curtain where they had been concealed.

This was followed by a series of tableaux depicting scenes in the lives of mothers of the past and the present. An old-fashioned mother; (Miss Vella Hermand) rocking her baby to sleep and singing a lullaby, was followed by a modern parent (Miss Claire Jacques) waltzing her baby to sleep as she sings a jazz tune. Mother (Mrs. E. J. Olson) was next shown in the very much dressed fashion of yesterday, much concerned over the appearance of one tiny freckle, while the modern lady (Miss Hazel Cassidy) in beach pajamas, sans hat, rans sleeves, hailed with delight the wonderful coat of tan she acquired.

Mother (Miss Margaret Douglas) dressed in a lovely, old-fashioned gown very demurely and quietly spends Sunday afternoon reading, while her modern counterpart (Mrs. C. J. Green) is eager and ready to go places.

"Mother at work" (Mrs. Fred Alexander) depicted the old-fashioned parent washing with the old-time tub and washboard, while the modern mother (Mrs. Harold Jarmin) took reducing exercises.

"Mother at play" showed the (Miss Rosalyn Lewis) playing checkers with father, while the 1932 model (Miss Margot Monroe) went golfing. "Mother at home" found one (Mrs. Louis Herblison) sedately knitting at home, while the other (Mrs. Gordon Moffat) dashed home breathless and excited, just in time to tune in on the radio for a favorite song.

With one more selection in which all joined, the evening came to a happy conclusion.

MRS. MARY FERGUSON PASSED AWAY

Mrs. Mary Ferguson passed away at the home of her son Wm. Ferguson, Feb. 27th at 7:30 a. m. after an illness of several weeks.

Mary McMahon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McMahon was born near Granville, Quebec, Dec. 4, 1867. On Aug. 8, 1873, she was united in marriage to James F. Ferguson of Granville where they made their home until they moved to Osceola County, Michigan about 46 years ago. Since her husband's death May 29, 1912, she had made her home with her children.

Mrs. Ferguson was the mother of twelve children, nine of whom survive, Dan Ferguson and Mrs. Katherine Wainwright of Hersey. Mrs. Mary Pigeon of Port Huron, Peter of McGregor, James of Ewart, George of Flint and Jennie, William and Herbert of Grayling. She is also survived by three brothers and three sisters, 28 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the home of her son Dan of Hersey at 11:00 A. M., Feb. 28th. Burial was in Hersey cemetery with the six sons acting as pallbearers.

WASHINGTON NOTES AND COMMENTS

(By Congressman Roy O. Woodruff, Tenth Michigan District).

As the days go by it becomes increasingly apparent that Japan in its military operations in Manchuria is carrying out a policy of long standing. All orientals are patient people. That the Japanese are ambitious, far-seeing, highly intelligent, capable and determined, is unquestioned. In all history we find no other nation that so rapidly acquired a standing among the nations of the world as has Japan. She has accomplished this in spite of the fact that her development has been greatly retarded by lack of an adequate supply of natural resources, such as iron, coal and oil. These resources in abundance are necessary if she is to hold her present position in the family of nations and to reach the destiny her statesmen see before her. Manchuria, which has been in large part subjugated by Japan during the past few months, constitutes an area one and one half times as large as the State of Texas. The soil is of the black loam variety and it has an average depth of 50 feet. It has been little cultivated in years past and today retains a virgin fertility found nowhere else in that part of the world. It is located in the temperate zone and its agricultural possibilities are such that it solves the food problem for the Japanese people so long as they maintain their authority there.

In addition to the tremendous importance of this possible food supply, Manchuria holds for Japan something of even greater importance in its coal, iron and oil deposits. The supply of these products is practically unlimited. The tremendous coal fields of Fushun and the coal and iron deposits at Aushan already developed, together with the undeveloped fields at Poushiu constitute a supply of these materials that will serve every need of Japan for centuries to come. Without these supplies she is dependent upon other and possibly hostile nations for the things which mean not only her economic life but her actual national existence in time of war.

There is still another reason why Japan has long contemplated and is now actually carrying out the military occupation of Manchuria. The Japanese archipelago can support comfortably not more than forty million people. It is variously estimated that the islands now hold more than sixty to eighty million inhabitants. The Japanese are a very prolific race and their numbers are increasing rapidly. It has become mandatory that some place be provided to which the surplus population of Japan can migrate. Through the restrictions laid down by this Government, they are not permitted to come here. Consequently they apparently have determined to carry out their program in Manchuria at this time.

To the casual observer, it would seem that the time selected was chosen with their usual astuteness. The world is still very, very sick from the effects of the last war. The present distressing conditions throughout the world are the direct result of it. Our people have not as yet forgotten the horrible loss of life, the terrible destruction of property, the misery and suffering engendered by that war. Nor have they forgotten the futility of it all. "War for Democracy," the "War for Humanity" as it was called, has it seems, been anything but that. As a result, neither the people of this country nor the people of the European countries will be beguiled into another war at this time in order to prevent Japan from taking over this very valuable country. What the Russians will do is another matter. They already are beginning to interrogate the Japanese Government as to its intentions and as to the significance of certain moves now being made in Manchuria.

This country is contiguous to Russian territory and is looked upon by the Russians as a natural sphere of Russian influence or control. To have Japan take over this great country establishes on her eastern border a rival and potential enemy that is ambitious, arrogant and strong in military resources. It is my opinion that long ago Russia would have notified Japan to cease all military operations if it were not for the fact that the former, in case of hostilities, would be compelled to depend upon the single track trans-Siberian railroad for the movement of troops and supplies to the field of action. Russia's experience in her previous war with Japan teaches her the risks of attempting to supply a modern army with this one railroad. She no doubt, will exhaust all possibilities of diplomacy before resorting to anything else.

The American people can rest assured that we will have no war with Japan over conditions in Manchuria, regardless of any combination of circumstances which may arise over there. Neither will we engage in war because of conditions at Shanghai. Our Government officials, under the

GOV'T BONDS SOON TO BE OFFERED

EXCELLENT INVESTMENT OFFERED IN \$50, \$100 AND \$500

President Hoover's Campaign to get idle money back into circulation is in full swing and according to Henry T. Ewald, Chairman for Michigan, is already beginning to bear fruit.

"The conditions," Mr. Ewald said, "that caused the withdrawal of something like a billion and a half dollars from the banks and the hiding of it in safe deposit boxes and other places are gradually being overcome. The constructive and unpartisan legislation recently enacted by Congress is helping to restore confidence. People are spending more freely and money that has been in hiding for months is getting back into the banks."

"The local Committee has had reports from a number of merchants of an increasing proportion of sales for cash—a good deal of it old, large size money that has been out of circulation for some time."

As one concrete evidence of the return of cash to circulation, G. I. Smith, Detroit zone manager for Chevrolet, reported that 29 new and second-hand cars sold in the last two days had been paid for half in cash or about \$7,000. A Gratiot Ave. company, he said, sold a rebuilt car Monday for \$87. Of this \$87 was in old bills and the rest was silver.

H. A. Harrington of the Detroit Board of Commerce, reports that a man with a \$5,000 bank mortgage on his property walked into a local bank Tuesday and paid it off largely with a wad of old-size bills.

During the coming week the Detroit speakers' committee under the direction of Louis Cabane will get into action. This committee is made up chiefly of veteran four-minute men who served in the Liberty Bond campaign of fifteen years ago. They will address noonday clubs, women's organizations and other groups whenever meetings can be arranged.

Newspapers, radio and outdoor advertising throughout the state will also be inaugurated the first of the week. The local organizations in some fifty of the cities and towns of the state are showing unusual enthusiasm and are reporting strong support from the people of their various communities.

The preliminary campaign of education is to last through next week, leading up to and preparing the way for the issuance of short time Government Certificates in denominations of \$50, \$100 and \$500—bearing a low rate of interest but redeemable even before they are due in 60 days' notice. These certificates with the guarantee of the Government back of them, will, it is believed, bring into action a large proportion of the money now in hiding.

MEDICAL OFFICER EXAMINATIONS ANNOUNCED

The United States Civil Service has announced that until March 22 it will accept applications for positions of senior medical officer, medical officer, and associate medical officer qualified in cancer diagnosis and treatment, to fill vacancies in the United States Veterans' Administration throughout the United States.

The entrance salary for senior medical officer is \$4,000 a year, for medical officer \$3,800 a year, and for associate medical officer, \$3,200 a year.

Leadership of President Hoover, are conducting themselves in a way to inherit the confidence of the American people. They are doing everything possible to avoid giving the slightest excuse for war with any nation. They do not forget for a moment that the United States is in no way obligated to alone preserve the peace of the world and can be depended upon to protect all legitimate national interests without resort to arms.

Rialto Theatre (GRAYLING)

PROGRAM
Saturday, March 5 (only)
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in
"LOVERS COURAGEOUS"
Sunday and Monday, March 6-7
"SHE WANTED A MILLION-AIRE"
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The Curtis Folding Dinette—Here is a comfortable as well as practical solution of space-saving equipment problems.

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If desired, the table may be had with Formica top applied, at slight additional cost.

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EVERY board, every person handling public money should publish an accounting of it.

MICHIGAN AFFAIRS

BY A. H. GANSER

Michigan's Special Session Lights

Three fields of human endeavor hold the news center of Michigan as this is written. Nearest home are the problems of property tax relief especially in the metropolitan areas surrounding Detroit, where the Court road law was made to serve high pressure real estate selling. Gov. Brucker has said that the special session of our Legislature which he will call about March 20, would primarily be to help that metropolitan area which took millions of dollars in real estate profits during the boom years, 1923-1929, and now claims inability to take their losses. Folks in other endeavors for quick returns and easy money in that same inflated speculation period, who today are also meeting inevitable deflation, have to take their losses. No whimsical appeal for legislative help in this hour, will restore the losses in wages to wage earners; of farm product prices to the farmer; or business losses to the business man. The wage earner, farmer and business man did not deliberately invite such a debacle as the real estate speculation around Detroit incurred. The wage earner, farmer and business men are in fact victims, state wide, in this hour, of just that kind of speculative madness.

The only money these real estate speculators now see available, is state highway money. They have already taken millions of dollars for street widening in Detroit and the metropolitan area, that surely were a boon to most real estate holders there. Now they would like to divert state highway funds to help salvage their real estate speculation losses. These funds were paid by the motor transport people of Michigan, primarily for good roads. The motor car of any Michigan citizen is taxed higher than real estate of the same relative value. He stands the weight tax and gas tax today, because up to now, they have been an investment solely in his favor.

Dynamic Detroit Needs Long View

The Michigan motor transport owner naturally wants to know why he should be taxed to help liquidate real estate speculation around Detroit or any other place? In addition to paying weight and gas tax for operating his motor car, he must also pay all his own real estate and personal property tax. Why should his old bus be asked now to help pay property taxes for folks who took a gambler's chance and lost? The up-state folks around central Michigan and north thereof see in this new effort to divert motor car gas or weight tax money another threat of delay in completing long pending trunk line highways up this way. According to tentative highway plans made in 1925 when Michigan adopted the two cent gas tax, U. S. 23-M 76 should now be paved to about Cheboygan. Owing to Detroit and the metropolitan area diverting many millions of dollars to their immediate vicinity, U. S. 23-M 76 is still 12 miles south of West Branch. The same people who are now demanding gas or weight tax money to help out their real estate speculations, in 1921 and 1923 opposed the gas tax for Michigan. They argued it would be a nuisance tax on their beloved motor car industry. Today we know that it takes money to build good roads. That good roads are the best sales agents for Michigan motor cars. That good roads and motor cars bring up-state business to Detroit and the metropolitan area. That good roads and motor cars make possible pleasure trips for the two million people in that area to beautiful northern Michigan at all seasons of the year. And best of all, good roads and motor cars have made our tourist business in Michigan second only to our motor transport industry in money value. Dynamic Detroit gets the benefit of good roads and motor car pleasures and tourist business, going and coming. Hence the long view in this hour will mean the greater good to the greater number. Official state records show over one million out state motor cars visited our upper peninsula during 1931. Therein lies the big business opportunity for Detroit.

Property Tax Relief Problem

There is another angle to this Detroit real estate effort to grab some money primarily belonging to the motorist for good roads. If their effort succeeds, these real estate speculators would in effect determine what and where payments would be laid down in Michigan. Well and good if they therefor paid for their own tax district roads. But now they ask folks who have paid for their own County roads to help pay for theirs. Thus far their propaganda has been fairly successful. Therein lies the danger of this special session. For the business situation,

world wide, has given pause to consider cause and effect. Remedies for saving money on taxes are naturally popular. The average citizen pays little attention to local, state or national tax problems in boom days. When periods of deflation come, as some they have through hundreds of years, and especially following every modern great war, every taxpayer suddenly becomes tax conscious. A little study will convince him that his local taxes take 89% of his property tax dollar, while the state property tax amounts to only 11%, finally. Most of this local tax he has voted on himself, from time to time. But that was in boom days. Now he listens gladly to panaceas or some new system that will make the "other fellow" pay the tax. Oddly enough, some state legislators living in the northern part of the state, whose counties get more money from the state for primary school funds and good roads, than they pay to Michigan in property tax, are in this hour agitating some panaceas. It is their tributary section of Michigan that needs paved roads to please out state and down state tourists. Yet they even favor diverting gas or weight tax money for the mitigation of property tax reduction thereby gained for their constituents in Michigan. As taxes stand now, every million dollars they would so divert, would only make about one cent difference in their neighbors property tax dollar per year.

There will be a dance at Temple Theatre Friday and Saturday nights after the basketball games. Music by the Ramblers orchestra.

HOARDED MONEY BEING RELEASED

President Hoover's Anti-Hoarding Campaign is bringing out some interesting facts not only in Michigan but all over the country.

Henry T. Ewald, Chairman for Michigan, is receiving reports daily of money that has long been in hiding, being brought out under the influence of the campaign and put back into circulation. These are evidences of confidence being restored. Something definite and practical is being done and the people are responding in a way that seems to mark a definite end to present conditions.

Hoarded Gold Released

One business man in Detroit reported to Mr. Ewald yesterday that for years he had been saving every gold piece that came into his possession with the idea that in an emergency he would always have something stored away that could not depreciate. A very considerable sum had accumulated in his safe deposit box. Since the starting of this campaign, however, he began to feel that about the worst thing he could do was to keep gold, or money of any kind out of circulation, when it might be out doing its part to re-establish credit. At the same time he realized that he was losing the price of a good suit of clothes every year in interest. Hence, he had gone to his safe deposit box, taken out his hoard of gold and deposited it in a savings account, with a local bank. He is diverting some time each day now to hunting about among friends and acquaintances to find others who have money hidden, and induce them to put it back into circulation.

Hidden Money in Pennsylvania

A letter from Colonel Frank Knox, National Chairman, cites some interesting instances of hoarding discovered in one district in Pennsylvania.

Four miners' families, living in one large room, have \$8,200 tucked away in various places in the frame building.

An old woman walks about the streets with \$1,000 in her pocketbook; the remainder of \$1,500 she drew from the local bank last fall.

Another woman drew \$35,000 from five banks and scattered it about her house in various hiding places. Col. Knox's informant said: "I saw \$12,000 of this money in \$10, \$20 and \$50 bills."

A workman who applied for food at a charity organization of the city was found to have hidden \$900 in his house.

The informant continued: A woman put \$3,000 in her Dutch oven. Her daughter, visiting her, decided to bake a cake to surprise her mother. The cake cost \$3,000—and was mother surprised!

\$3,000 In Bureau

Thieves robbed a merchant's home, but overlooked \$3,000 he had tucked away in a bureau drawer.

The police department of New Kensington near Pittsburgh, sent out a report of the robbery of a residence, the thieves taking \$8,300 in currency.

H. A. Harrington, of the Detroit Board of Commerce, said a Detroit builder a few days ago sold a home for \$12,000, the purchaser, husband and wife, making the down payment of \$5,000 in crumpled bills which had been stuffed away in hiding in their home and had doubtless been accumulating over a considerable period.

What She Needed

A neighbor called on Mrs. C. only to find Mr. C. warming himself by the kitchen stove while Mrs. C. was out getting in the cows.

"You see," he explained, "we was both sawing wood when I noticed the cows had got away and I let Mary go after them. I thought a brisk walk in the cold air might do her good. She seemed to be getting kinda white and peaked at the wood sawing."

Old Spoons at Bat

The kangaroo rat is the size of an ordinary rat, but has short forelegs and long hindlegs.

CHANGE IN NAMES OF MICHIGAN LAKES

"Isle Royale" and not "Isle Royal" is the correct spelling of the island recently adopted by Congress as a national park and the correct spelling of the river on which the great fall in the middle west is located is "Tahquamenon."

The spelling of these names have been officially adopted by the state and federal governments through action taken by the Michigan Committee on Geographic Names and the National Board of Geographic Names.

The spelling of "Isle Royale" restores the French spelling and is in line with local usage. In the future all official maps and publications will contain the official spelling.

The names of only 14 lakes and streams have been changed by the Michigan Committee since it was appointed by Governor Fred W. Green in 1929. The Committee is composed of Dr. George N. Fuller of the Michigan Historical Commission; L. R. Schoenmann, chief of the Division of the Land Economic Survey and R. A. Smith, state geologist of the Department of Conservation.

Changes in the names of lakes and streams or other geographical features are recommended to the National Board of Geographic Names by the State Committee only after adequate reasons for change have been presented to and approved by the county board of supervisors.

In Alcona County "Mud Lake" has been officially changed to "Jewell Lake" honoring Jewell Frier, who lives on an island of the lake.

Portage Lake in Crawford County is now officially "Lake Margrethe" in honor of Margrethe Hanson, wife of Rasmus Hanson who donated the township in which the lake is located to the state for a military reservation, forest reserve and game preserve.

In Ingham County, "Pine Lake" has been changed to "Lake Lansing." The names of four lakes in Osego County have been changed by the state and federal agencies. The lake formerly known as "Comara" or "Farm Lake" is now "Tecon Lake" which is an Indian name meaning "farm." Crooked Lake No. 1 is now "Manuka Lake" from an Indian word meaning "friends." Crooked Lake No. 2 has been changed to Wequos Lake, an Indian word meaning "white birch." Silver Lake in Osego County is now officially "Horicon Lake" from an Indian word meaning "lake of silver water."

Mud Lake in Van Buren County has been changed officially to "Moriah Lake." The word "Moriah" is a hill in Jerusalem, the site of Solomon's Temple.

Wheeler Creek in Wexford County has been changed to "Mitchell Creek" honoring William W. Mitchell, one of the founders of the city of Cadillac. The name was changed to avoid confusion.

The late Dr. Jan Metzelaar, ichthyologist of the Department of Conservation, drowned during the fall of 1929 in the waters of Grand Lake in Presque Isle County while he was carrying on fish investigations, has been honored through a change in name of the bay in which his death occurred. The bay formerly known as "South Bay" has been changed to "Metzelaar Bay."

Names of geographical features are changed only after the approval of the local board of supervisors. The State Committee and the National Committee. Persons desiring to change the name of a lake, stream or other geographical feature, may petition the county board of supervisors, giving their reasons. If the board approves the petition, then the county clerk submits to the state committee a certified copy of the board's action on forms furnished by the state committee. If this committee gives approval the request is then forwarded to Washington for final act.

Who was Who?

By LOUISE M. COMSTOCK

DARLING NELLIE GRAY

THE "darling Nellie Gray" immortalized by Benjamin Hanby, song writer, in the Civil war ballad of that name, was an obscure negro slave girl whose pathetic story was carried out of the South and into common knowledge only by the sorrowing devotion of her faithful lover, himself a runaway slave in search of her.

Back in the 1850's Bishop George Hanby, father of the author, turned his magnificent old home at Rushville, Ohio, over to be used as a way-station on the historical underground railway. Of many runaway slaves who found refuge there, five were known by name, died and were buried in an obscure cemetery somewhere in the hills near Rushville. One of them, Jo Selby, came just before he died of pneumonia had breathed out the story of his—

poor Nellie Gray, they have taken her away. And I'll never see my darling any more. See a-comin', comin', comin', as the angels clear the way. Farewell to the old Kentucky shore.

Young Benjamin Hanby, who taught at the village school, turned Selby's story into a song which he wrote on the school house blackboard for his pupils to sing.

The Hanby home was recently torn down to make room for a more modern structure, but the grave of Jo Selby, now to be marked by a real monument, lies undisturbed back in the hills.

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ROMANCE

Muriel is a queer sort of girl and the other day she received a proposal from a man she had always regarded as a brother rather than as a lover.

"Muriel," he began, "you know I have always turned to you, that I have always thought of you. May I—that is—would you—er—oh, hang it, Muriel, will you be my wife?"

"Good gracious!" exclaimed Muriel. "What a start you gave me! At first I thought you were trying to borrow some money."

Kipling Was Witty
"Mr. Kipling?" queried a celebrity hunter, stopping him near his house. The author shook his head.

"But you are the image of him," the girl insisted as she held out a newspaper portrait.

"His misfortune," murmured Mr. Kipling and went on—Boston Transcript.

Filling the Bill

Employer—Look here, Smith, when you came here you told me you'd had five years' experience in the city. I found out last night by chance that you'd only just left college. What have you got to say?

Smith—Well, sir, you said the firm needed a man with imagination—Stray Stories.

Properly Rebuked

Patient—Doctor, is there any danger of the operation proving fatal?

Surgeon—Really, my good man, considering that we are experimenting on you free of charge, your idle curiosity is hardly good form.

No More Room

"Now, Dan," said the lad's grandmother, "wouldn't you like to put some cookies in your pockets before you go home?"

"Thanks," sighed the tiny chap, "but they're full of cookies already."

A Novelty

"Do you see that young man standing over there next to the diver with the golf pants on?"

"I see the fellow all right, but where is the diver with the golf pants on?"

SAVE REHEARSING



She—The booking agent said my act would be a wow if I could get a guy to act dumb. Will you join the act?

He—Why not?

She—It would save a lot of rehearsing.

The Making of a Car

The tourist rushed into the country store. "I want a quart of oil, some gas, a couple of spark plugs, a timer, a five-gallon kerosene can, and four pie tins."

"All right," replied the enterprising clerk, "and you can assemble 'em in the back room if you want to."—Illinois Central Magazine.

Why He Got Set

"Why did the famous Darwinian lecturer suddenly cancel his vaudeville act billed for this city?"

"Oh, the subject of his talk was 'The Monkey Preceded Man' and they put him right after the trained chimpanzee act."

Bath Suggested

Doris (left in charge)—You mustn't kiss baby. Mother says it isn't sanitary.

Betty—Poor little thing! Why don't you wash it?—Boston Transcript.

Just So It's Genuine

"You were swindled over that 'genuine' Rubens you bought. It is not fifty years old."

"I don't mind that so long as it is a genuine Rubens."

MAGIC PETTING



She—There's a sort of magic about petting.

He—Yeh—sort of neck-romancy.

Brave Hubby

Wife (as husband, disturbed by burglars, jumps aimily out of bed)—Oh, Henry, you are so brave! What are you going to do?

Husband—Lock the door.

LOGICAL CHOICE

Little Dorothy was going to have her first party, the occasion being her fifth birthday.

"Dear," said her mother, "I'm going to let you invite any one you want."

"Then I'll ask Uncle Bob, Mr. Preston, grandfather, Uncle Peter, Miss Elwood."

"Wait a moment," cried mamma, "these are all elderly folks."

"Well," sighed the tot, "they seem to have the most money."

Marked Changes Noted

In Mistletoe Customs

Going back into history, it is interesting to note that the Druids of England apparently started the current vogue of using mistletoe, but their celebration was the arrival of the winter solstice. Moreover, only mistletoe that grew in oak trees received the homage of the Druids. This mystic parasite was considered to have healing powers and thus was given additional veneration by the Druids.

In Scandinavian mythology, it is noted that the mistletoe had nothing to do with the fair sex when hung around a home. On the contrary, the plant was placed above the entrance to a dwelling place, as it was believed that such a procedure would keep out the evil spirits.

Thus the mistletoe custom has had a great change over a period of centuries. Originally a plant taken from the outdoor world to ward off evil spirits and now a plant with an invitation attached to it.

"Bigness" Not a Matter

of Silly Stage Setting

A great many men have so much fear for their pride and dignity that they never take a chance on violating what they call good form. They put so much weight in matters of precedence and special position that they never quite care to be natural. For example, some men of fairly high position will never go to the office of a shop of another man who, they think, occupies a little lower position in the social or financial life of the community. "It is his business to come to my office," they think, even if they do not say it. Poor fussers and poor worriers! The fact is that a man who is really big does not care whether a man comes to his office or whether he goes to the other man's office. The big man will always be at the head of the table no matter where he sits. If he has to have a stage setting he is just an imitation and he is putting on a show.—Toledo Blade.

Tarantulas

The tarantula is a large spider with a body about an inch in length; its legs are formerly supposed to produce a kind of frenzy in human subjects called tarantism. The nervous actions of those victims are supposed to be initiated in the wild musical dances known among the Italians as "tarantella." Doubtless in some cases its bite produces disagreeable symptoms. The species named is a native of Italy, but varieties, or closely allied species, are found throughout the south of Europe. The so-called tarantulas of Texas and adjacent countries are a large species of Mygalis belonging to the Tarantula family. There is a very large burrowing wasp of Texas and the Southwest, which stings tarantulas, depositing its eggs in their bodies and carrying the paralyzed spider off to its nest. These are known as "tarantula-killers."

Ancient Gardens

Because of the favorable character of the soil and climate the Nile valley in Egypt and the valleys of the Euphrates and Tigris rivers in Mesopotamia were the original sites of gardens. As early as 6000 B. C. fruit trees and vegetables were grown in large quantities for the food they produced. Many trees were held sacred and were planted for religious purposes only, while many groves of fruit trees were planted near temples. Vineyards seemed to be valued next in importance to trees. Grape vines were supported on arbors and wine was made from the fruit. Arboreal art at that time formed the chief ornament of the yard and they are still considered very important in landscape design.

Large Land Holdings

There seems to be little doubt that the distinction of being the greatest private land owner in the history of the United States should go to Robert Morris, signer of the Declaration of Independence and later a senator from Pennsylvania. At one time he owned the western half of New York state, 1,000,000 acres in Pennsylvania, 1,000,000 acres in Virginia, 1,000,000 acres in South Carolina and 2,000,000 acres in Georgia. His way of comparison, the acreage owned by William Penn, proprietor of Pennsylvania, amounted to 1,723,250.

Moonlight at the Poles

The Naval observatory says that the moon shines in the Arctic and Antarctic regions for a part of the time during the long nights. At the pole itself the moon is above the horizon continuously during one-half of each lunar month and below the horizon continuously during the other half. In the winter time full moon occurs when the moon is above the horizon and new moon when it is below, while in summer time new moon occurs when it is above the horizon and full moon when it is below.

Ways of Fisherman Fish

From the depths of the Pacific ocean, near the Hawaiian Islands, came a pelican founder to take its place in the Chicago Field Museum of Natural History. It is intended to show fishermen just how a fisherman fish would fish. The pelican founder carries his own dip net, bucket, and refrigeration system. By depressing a tough membrane that constitutes the floor of his mouth, he scoops up his food, and can retain it there until needed.—Airt.

Banishing Evil Thoughts

Do not only contend with evil thought or inclinations of the will but get thyself earnestly engaged with a good thought or purpose, until these evil thoughts vanish.—Anselm.

Dad's

Now one of our lexicographers comes forth with the definition of "prospector" as a man who chews loudly and then tries to find out why.

Kalamazoo Gazette.

Don't Sell

There is really no profit in selling.

—American Magazine.

NEW WOOD PRICES

	Per Load
16 inch Green Millwood from the mill	\$3.50
12 inch Green Millwood from the mill	4.00
16 inch Dry Millwood from the yard	4.50
12 inch Dry Millwood from the yard	5.00
Flooring Clippings (much larger load than previously)	7.50

These prices are delivered anywhere in the Village limits.

We have been authorized by the State to weigh trucks and trailers and issue official weight receipts.

Kerry & Hanson Flooring Co.

MASON MEN MAKE OWN TROUT FLIES

An enterprise unique and entrancing holds the undivided interest of C. F. Mickelson and J. N. Baker. Both are ardent fishermen and lovers of the out of doors. Mr. Mickelson is looked upon as one of the most authoritative hunters, woodsmen and fishermen in the state. For years he has roamed the woods around Grayling and has fished nearly every foot of the Ausable for trout. This winter he has introduced the hobby of tying flies to his protégé, Mr. Baker. The two men have set up a shop, studio is a better word, in the basement of the Baker home and night after night they labor at their task, a task that would tax the ingenuity and patience of a Paris designer.

For years Mr. Mickelson has tied all the flies he uses in trout fishing. He says he gets no fun out of landing a fighting trout unless he has lured him onto the hook with a home-made fly. Mr. Baker is now just as enthusiastic and the flies they have manufactured this winter are so true to life that one really feels unsafe in the workroom without a flask of "I'll-handy."

The artificial flies so much used in angling for trout are composed of hairs, furs, wools and silks of every variety and hue, mingled with pieces of feathers, and secured by waxed marking silk of a special high grade. Wings are made of feathers of domestic and wild fowls of showy colors.

The stock of raw materials in the Baker home is a revelation. These raw materials include peacock feathers, ostrich plumes, feathers from wild duck, tame ducks, geese, chickens, turkeys and other birds. There are furs from squirrels, fox, deer and nearly every other animal. The two men have also collected huge supplies of silk and wool yarns of every color.

To make a fly the shank of the hook is wound with the proper material to make the body. Then hairs of the right color and texture and wings of the proper shape and hue are added. Silk threads hold the different parts of the anatomy in place. The names used for the flies are a lesson in biology. They start off with Royal Coachman and run from there into Latin names with a dozen syllables. Mr. Baker and Mr. Mickelson study drawings of insects and then endeavor to produce out of artificial material the exact replica of the insect studied.

The work demands patience. It is more painstaking than the finest kind of embroidery. Just a trifle too much pull upon a feather or a cord of silk and the fly is ruined.

The two men have another project upon which they have worked off and on for four years. That is the making of split bamboo fishing rods. Four rods are now nearing completion. The rod work is even more precise than the making of flies, if that can be conceived. The unfinished bamboo is first dried, then split into strips. A process of heating and straightening is undertaken. Then special tools are used to work the bamboo into tapered strips. When the strips are perfect in measurement, right down to the thousandth of an inch, they are fitted together and glued.

Mr. Mickelson claims that his finished bamboo rod has enough strength to stand the pull of a 200-pound man. In the making of the rods the workman has studied many volumes upon the industry of rod making. Their products are perfect examples of precision and skill.

These are the reasons why a light is seen in the Baker basement night after night. These are the reasons why the city council lost Alderman Baker. These are the reasons why Mr. Baker and Mr. Mickelson are seldom seen on the streets at night. They are too busy in their manufacturing plant. And these are the reasons why everyone interested in skilled craftsmanship should make some effort to gain admittance into the basement of the Baker home.—Mason News.

Don't Sell

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—American Magazine.

Use of a Hobby

One fine thing about a hobby is that one never knows where it will end or where it may lead. Many a man has pursued a hobby so zealously that eventually it became his vocation, leading on to fame, fortune and whatnot. But that is accidental and exceptional. The primary purpose of a hobby is to introduce a side-interest to life and impart a zest that otherwise is usually lacking. What the hobby happens to be is of lesser importance. And there are so many available hobbies—thousands and thousands of them.—Exchange.

Two Meals Day Best For Stomach Trouble

Ship one meal and drink water instead. Wash out stomach and bowels each morning by drinking water with spoonful of simple glycerine, buckthorn bark, saline compound (called Adierka).

Adierka brings out poisons you never thought were in your system. If you are nervous, can't sleep, full of gas, it

Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO.

Thursday, March 4, 1909

As we go to press—Wednesday, we learn that the residence of I. H. Richardson in South Branch is entirely consumed by fire. No particulars have been received.

Smallpox is reported as epidemic in and around Rose City, and a few cases in Kalkaska, Montmorency, and Otsego. Diphtheria in a mild form is reported from several counties. In Beaver Creek about twenty cases are reported cured.

The Michigan Central, fearing a shortage of ice on the southern division of the road, has commenced cutting two thousand carloads at George Lake in Ogemaw County.

Organized labor throughout the United States has started a move for the seven-hour day in all lines of work.

A. M. Lewis was called to Berlin, Ontario, last week by the death of his father. He returned Friday night.

Geo. Belmore of Beaver Creek came near losing his home by fire last Monday. The upper story and roof was badly damaged. We have heard no estimate of the loss.

John McMaster of South Branch, near Jack Pine, was in town the first of the week. He says they are only waiting for a little more spring weather to set the "wheels going round."

A fine auto arrived here for E. Hanson last week, and Esbern has been breaking the beast for safe driving. It will be perfectly safe in his hands as he has had considerable experience.

Thomas Nolan and family have gone to their new home, No. 509 Carrollton Ave., Lansing, where they will be glad to meet old friends when in the Capital City. They will be missed from here by hosts of their associates.

The home of Geo. Stephan, eight miles east on the river was destroyed by fire Wednesday afternoon, with all its contents. Mrs. Stephan was at home alone, and could do nothing after its discovery on account of the terrific wind. It is a sad loss.

About fifty members of our High School enjoyed the sleighride of the season last Saturday afternoon and evening. The ever-hospitable home of John Felling in Beaver Creek, was opened to the young people, who carried their own banquet, and had the jolliest time of their life, returning about ten o'clock.

The little house at the foot of the log slide at the band mill caught fire about midnight last week. Wednesday.

NEWS BROADCAST TO FLEET

During the present cruise of the Battle Force to Hawaii, they will receive daily all the news of the day by radio, through the courtesy of the San Francisco Examiner, says the Navy Recruiting Station, Detroit. The broadcast is made about two a. m., and is written up and distributed to the various offices and parts of the ship before breakfast by the ship's radio and clerical forces. The items include the main news of the

day from the stove and was entirely consumed, without other damage. There was a high wind at the time but everything was covered with fresh snow and the fire was practically over before the department was ready for work.

At the Union caucus held Monday, March 1st at the Town Hall, Wm. McCullough was elected chairman, Geo. Mahon, secretary, and Carl Mork and W. Taylor, tellers. The following ticket was nominated:

Pres.—James W. Sorenson.
Clerk—Geo. Mahon.
Assessor—Fred Narrin.
Treasurer—A. P. W. Becker.
Trustees—E. A. Keeler, John Olson, and Chris Ackerman.

Grayling has a modern Telephone Exchange, just completed and turned over to M. A. Bates by the contractors Stone and Green, of Chicago, Ill. Our city can well be proud of this latest improvement, as there is not a city, small or large, in Northern Michigan that can boast of a better exchange and we trust that our citizens will show their appreciation by patronizing "The Grayling Telephone Exchange."

At the Village caucus held last Thursday evening the following ticket was put in nomination:
President—John F. Hum.
Clerk—S. S. Phelps, Jr.
Treasurer—A. P. W. Becker.
Assessor—Fred Narrin.
Trustees for two years—C. T. Jerome, C. O. McCullough, W. Love.
Village Committee—C. O. McCullough, M. A. Bates, Geo. Mahon.

Last Saturday evening was pretty cool for bees to swarm, but over fifty of the brood were met at their ball and gave a farewell reception to Thomas Nolan who is about to move to Lansing.

John Pettit, Edna Wingard and Victor Peterson are the new pupils in the High School.

Hardgrove Happenings (23 Years Ago)
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Feldhauser took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. William Feldhauser one day last week.

H. S. Buck is very poorly now. Mr. Amos Buck and family visited Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Buck Sunday.

Maude Woodburn called on Mrs. William Feldhauser Thursday.

Mrs. Sarah Buck called on Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Buck Monday.

Chas. Johnson went to Grayling Saturday.

Paul Feldhauser has returned home after being a month with the boys.

day, Will Rogers' remarks. O. O. McIntyre's column, Brisbane's comments, sporting events, and Naval orders.

Read your home paper. Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Only Four Commonwealths. There are only four commonwealths in this country—Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Virginia—although just exactly what that means I have never been able to discover. Struthers Burt in Scribner's Magazine.

A MOST SUCCESSFUL OIL PRODUCING AREA

Developments in that area during the past year "indicate that the Mt. Pleasant area will be one of the most successful and important oil producing districts opened in the East in ten years," M. Q. Guley, well known petroleum geologist of Pittsburgh, Pa., says in a report made to the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers.

In reviewing developments in the Mt. Pleasant field during the past year, Guley says that "during late April, 1931 a 1,000 barrel completion 1½ miles in advance of production started development in that direction, which has resulted in extending the producing limits of the field 4½ miles due east of the older producing area and has led to the completion of several 2,000 and 3,000 barrel wells which have held up remarkably well." It is on these facts that Guley said he based his estimate as to the importance of the field in eastern oil production.

The field started the year 1931 with a potential production of between 25,000 and 30,000 barrels a day from approximately 230 wells. Figures cited in Guley's report show 127 wells completed in Michigan during 1931, with 46 dry holes, 33 gas wells and 43 oil wells. The total initial production of oil wells was 38,667 barrels. The 1930 figures showed 295 wells completed with 115 dry holes, 29 gas wells, 181 oil wells and a total initial oil production of 25,720 barrels.

Production of oil in the state dropped slightly during 1931 under the 1930 figures. With an average daily production of 10,715 barrels in 1930, 9,911,000 barrels of oil were produced in Michigan. In 1931 with an average of 10,301 barrels a day, the total year's production for the state was approximately 3,760,000 barrels.

READ LABEL ON MUSTARD, URGES FEDERAL OFFICIAL

Mustard is a common article, but it adds a lot to the joys of eating and, if the housewife is a stickler for getting what she pays for—whether it is mustard or mustangs—she will do well to read the label on mustard products, according to H. A. Lepper of the Federal Food and Drug Administration.

"All mustard products come from the three general classes of seed—white, black, and intermediate, the latter shading from yellow to brown to red," says Lepper. The value of mustard as a condiment depends on its content of volatile oil or other pungent principles.

The flour, or ground mustard is the powder made from seed after the hulls have largely been removed. Sometimes a portion of the fixed-oil has been removed. Prepared mustards, such as "Old English style," "Dutch style," or "French style," are pastes composed of a mixture of ground mustard seed, flour, or cake, with salt or other condiments. The official standard prohibits the presence of starch, mustard bran, or vegetable gums in prepared mustard.

Turner is sometimes added to prepared mustard. If it is present, it will often be declared on the label. While turner is sometimes added to give the mustard a yellow color, it actually does not closely resemble the pure mustard color.

Lepper states that some mustard manufacturers make an imitation which, as a rule, contains principally mustard bran, usually with some mustard seed, and sometimes starch or gum. This looks like a good prepared mustard. The food law requires that such an article be sold under a label which makes it clear that the product is an imitation and further specifies that the ingredients of the product be declared on the label.

Looking Backward
The young people of today will learn eventually, as all preceding ones have, that a lurid present doesn't look so hot when it has become a shady past.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Collectors Both.
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"What," exclaimed the facetious guest, "would you separate husband and wife?"
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ADJUSTMENT

"Hello, is this Jones?" asked the voice at one end of the telephone. Jones said it was.

"Come and have a round of golf," asked the first voice.

"I'm sorry," replied Jones, "but I'm afraid I can't. You see, I'm half mourning."

"Oh!" dubiously from the other end. Then brightly, "Oh, well, what about nine holes?"—Tallor.

DIDN'T DOUBT HIM



"That druggist has scales that weigh unbelievably small amounts of anything."

"I have no reason to doubt your word—I've dealt with him at times."

And He Probably Did
Prospective Mother-in-Law—My daughter can sing, play the piano, act, paint, skate, dance, pilot an airplane and drive a car. What can you do?

Prospective Bridegroom—Well, I can darn, cook, and possibly do a little spring cleaning. I shall have to.

Curtainment
"I heard a man saying your style of oratory is showing great improvement."

"But I haven't made a speech in a great many days," protested Senator Sorghum.

"Maybe that's what he was talking about."

It's Normal State?
Mr. Brown—I've had a worrying time with the insurance people. They ask such awkward questions. They even wanted to know the state of my mind.

Mrs. Brown—How absurd! I suppose you left it blank?

Analysis
"Mother, I think I lost a nickel today," said little Dorothy.

"Why," asked mother, "do you only think you lost it?"

"I wanted a dime," replied the child, "but I only asked daddy for 6 cents and he gave it to me right away."

IMPOSSIBLE THINGS



He—I dreamed last night that you loved me.

She—Strange, isn't it, the impossible things one will dream?

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Various Nations Find

Good Uses for Seaweed

What salt water bath, or motor boat owner whose propeller has been clogged by the marine growth, can imagine that Japan harvested 450,000,000 pounds last year; that the United States imports about 5,000 tons annually; and that the United States has a seaweed industry on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts?

Seaweed has been consumed as food by the Japanese, Chinese and Hawaiians for many centuries, while Irish moss and seaweed products have graced the American table in various forms since Colonial days, when it was imported from England, says the National Geographic society.

An early use of the weed was as fertilizer for farmers near the sea. Today, besides serving as fertilizer and food, it is an ingredient of fine paper, knife handles and oriental curios. Kamachika natives use its hollow stems as collars for distilleries, while Australians have discovered a species from which cloth, rope, twine and mats can be made.

Case of Great Virtue
or Just Plain Honesty?

A gossip writer in an English paper, who fairly revels in stories about Mayfair and great country houses, recently singled out an act of what he thought super-eminent virtue, performed by a great aristocratic lady. Here are his words: "She is as honest as she is modest. The other day a bookmaker by mistake sent her a check that he was not owing to her. She returned it. I regard that as very nearly superhuman."

Perhaps the great lady reflected that she would surely be detected if she kept money intended for somebody else. It is possible also that she simply felt a victim to the low, bourgeois notion that taking and keeping "isn't done." If kind hearts are more than coronets, what rank in the nobility should be assigned to plain honesty?—New York Times.

Should Prove Interesting

A Houston student away at college writes his parents: "I have to give an hour's talk on the Parachor, which I have never heard of before. I have found that it is the product of the molecular weight of all liquid and the fourth root of its surface tension, divided by the difference in densities of the liquid and its vapor at the same temperature."

Oh, those frivolous students.

Another intriguing discussion by a professor who married a Holton girl is on this subject: "Factors affecting the virility and development of the ova of Trichuris trichiura and Ascaris lumbricoides."—Holton Record.

We separated our daughter from school when we learned that she was sitting up all night writing a paper on "The Crawfish's Ammonitide."

Judd Lewis in Houston-Post Dispatch.

Chocolate in High Favor

When Cortez led his little army into the valley of Mexico 400 years ago, he discovered a new empire—and a new food, chocolate. His historian reports that the Aztecs used the cacao bean, from which chocolate is made, very generally. They made a delicious beverage from chocolate, and it is reported that the Montezuma would drink no other. The Spaniards tried to keep their chocolate recipe from the rest of the world, but without success. Soon the wealthy in France, England, and other European countries were having chocolate every day. Four hundred years' usage has not decreased the popularity of this excellent food, and we now import great quantities of cacao beans into this country every year.

England's Old Broadway

Some folks deem it a shame that such a lovely English village should possess the name of Broadway. Perhaps more New Yorkers seek it on that account than if it were called by some other more poetic name suited to its loveliness. Hidden away in Worcestershire, it is only 90 miles from London. Like its American namesake, Broadway virtually consists of one street. But nothing about it is modern. There are charming cottages and the Lygon arms, one of England's most ancient and picturesque hostleries.

Pleasure Lovers

The term hedonist means a person who believes that pleasure is the sole or chief good in life. Hedonism, the doctrine, also teaches that moral duty is fulfilled in the gratification of pleasure-seeking instincts and dispositions. The chief advocates of hedonism in antiquity were the Epicureans and the Cyrenaics, the latter inclining to the grosser interpretation of the doctrine. In modern times utilitarianism, seeking good in the greatest happiness of the community as a whole, is the chief hedonistic doctrine.

Old Toothache Remedy

A century ago a New York paper carried this ad for a toothache remedy: "The subscriber, Jonathan Dodge, in his practice as a dental surgeon, having extensively used for cure of the Toothache Thomas White's Vegetable Toothache Drops and with decided success, he can recommend it when genuine as superior to any other remedy now before the public. It obtained of the subscriber a cure is guaranteed."—Detroit News.

See not in the least alter the impoverishing effects of erosion speeded up by man and operating through long periods of time.

"Who" and "Which"
In referring to an object the adjective "which" is used and in referring to a person the adjective "who" is used. The adjective "that" may be used for both objects and persons.—Exchange.

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Definite Price Put on

Native Wife in Africa

When an intrepid native of Portuguese East Africa wants to get married he usually goes to Johannesburg to work in the gold mines for the price of a wife, Miss Ruth Thomas, a St. Louis missionary recently returned from there, says. The price of a native wife is \$75, which must be paid to her father.

"The prospective bridegroom marches into the home of the father," Miss Thomas reports, "and says in a bold tone, 'Do the cattle eat here?' (In-hambanlan for 'Are there any marriageable girls here?')

"If the father replies affirmatively the boy produces the 'bride price' and asks for his daughter's hand. The father answers that the young man must obtain the consent of his daughter."

"If the daughter is obstinate it may require a good deal of arguing on the part of the parent to change her view. Seldom, however, does a prospective father-in-law allow \$75 to slip away from him."

"When an agreement has been reached the two kneel before the father for his blessing. He fills his mouth with water and sprays the bride's face and then does the same thing to the bridegroom. That is the wedding."—Exchange.

Famous Jewel Given to

Britain by American

A gracious gesture of Anglo-American friendship preserved the famous "Canning Jewel," until recently the property of the earl of Harrowood, for Great Britain, says the Montreal Family Herald. This wonderful gold pendant, which is one of the finest examples of the art of the Renaissance jeweler, was sold for \$50,000. It was presented to the Victoria and Albert museum, in London, by an American friend who wished to remain anonymous. The Canning Jewel is a link with the Indian mutiny. It was found in the king of Oudh's treasury when Delhi was captured by the British, and acquired by Earl Canning, who was governor general of India during this turbulent period. Originally, it is believed, the jewel was sent to one of the Mogul emperors, as a gift from the grand duke of Tuscany. The central part of the ornament is in the form of a triton, or merman, the upper portion of whose body is composed of a huge baroque pearl, while his face is of turquoise blue enamel. He holds a ruby in his mouth.

SLEEP IN THE OPEN



"Why is that policeman so anxious to take night duty?"

"His doctor has advised him to sleep in the open."

Days Off for Esie
Misses—You say, Esie, that your new husband beats you all the time? Why, that is terrible. You had better go to the police and—

Esie—No, mom. Ah don't want to tell you anything but de truth. Ah wants to do mah husband justice. He don't beat me all de time. Some days he's away rabbit huntin' or fishin'.

Almost a Stranger
"I got a big surprise today," said the man who played golf every day.

"What was that?" asked his long-suffering wife.

"When I paid the caddy," sighed the golf bug, "I discovered our son, John, had been carrying my clubs around the last two days. My, how he has grown!"—Vancouver Province.

Homemakers' Corner

By Home Economy Specialist, Michigan State College

Every child likes to have a place reserved especially for his toys and treasures. An attractive and inexpensive playbox can be made of a sturdy packing case covered with colored magazine pictures coated with shellac.

A dish drainer and plenty of hot water saves considerable time in wiping dishes, besides it lessens the number of dish towels in the wash.

Are you sure the old walnut chest in the attic is walnut? Under the many coats of paint you may find mahogany or bird's-eye maple.

The mother who is interested in keeping her family well will provide milk, fruits, and vegetables, the so-called protective foods, for her family. One quart of milk for each child and a pint for each adult will provide the lime essential to the building and maintenance of good bones and teeth.

A frequent cause of poor machine stitching is gummed oil on the shuttle case. It may cause skipping or a stitch which does not track straight. Clean the case with kerosene.

Cleveland's Mayor



For the first time in seventeen years Cleveland, Ohio, has a Democratic mayor, the recent election resulting in victory for Ray T. Miller, seen above. Mr. Miller was once a star football player on Rockne's team.

Outboard Queen



Miss Loretta Turnbull, who has driven an outboard motorboat faster than any other woman in the world, and faster than most men pilots, is caught by the camera at an unusual angle as she speeds over the course at Long Beach, Calif. Miss Turnbull will represent America at the European outboard classic on Lake Garda in Italy, where she was victorious in the International races last year.

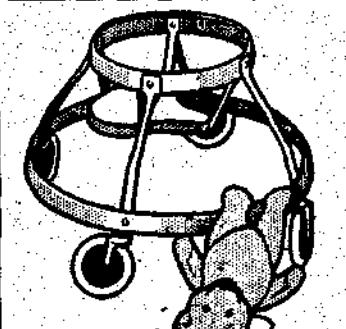


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EROSION
Erosion has modified the surface of the earth more than the combined activities of volcanoes, earthquakes, tidal waves, tornadoes, and all the convulsions of mankind since the beginning of history, says the United States Department of Agriculture. The fact that it proceeds slowly, usually taking a thin layer at a time,

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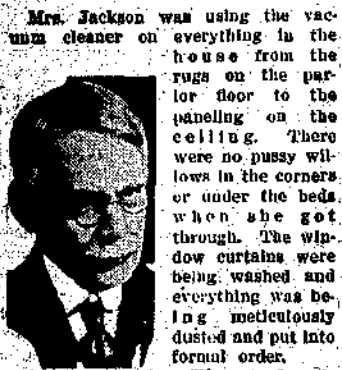
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WHEN COMPANY COMES

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Emeritus Deas of Mrs.
University of Illinois.



Mrs. Jackson was using the vacuum cleaner on everything in the house from the parlor floor to the ceiling. There were no pussy willows in the corners or under the beds when she got through. The window curtains were being washed and everything was being meticulously dusted and put into formal order.

"Now don't throw your clothes on the bed," she called up the stairs to her husband who was taking a bath and cleaning up generally as if in preparation for an important event. "I've just put on a fresh quilt, and I don't want it mussed up."

Company was coming and the Jacksons were getting ready for it. The best table linen would be gotten out, and all Mrs. Jackson's silver, which she used only on rare occasions, would be shined up, and her finest china would appear. There would be much more formality at meals, and more appetizing and more abundant food.

"I wish you'd stay longer," young Jackson remarked quite sincerely to the departing guests when the Jacksons had last had company. "We have so much better things to eat when we have company than we do when there is no one here."

Isn't it so? We are likely, also, to assume quite regularly company manners when there are guests at the house. Mr. Jackson sends the lady at his right with a good deal of flourish and formality. When they are alone Mrs. Jackson may step or fall into her chair at the table as much as she pleases. I'm just wondering if it might not make life a trifle less dull and uninteresting if we should not wait always for company to come before we put on our nicest clothes and served the most tempting meals.

Why should we have to wait until company comes before we get out our prettiest china, put on our attractive clothes, and show our finest manners? Aren't the home folks after all just as good as company?

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RANGE LAMBS GROW HIGH GRADE LAMBS

Lambs which will sell at top market prices at four to five months of age can be produced, without the use of grain supplements, on Michigan's grazing land if sufficient area is available and if the flock is kept healthy, according to the animal husbandry department at Michigan State College.

This conclusion is based on a study of the methods used during the past year by Michigan shepherds who entered their flocks in the Wolverine Lamb Production contest.

Other lessons learned from the contest are that legumes are the most valuable feed for sheep, careful systems of control for internal and external parasites must be used, and that a high average of lambs per ewe is necessary for profitable results.

Some alfalfa or other legume hay should be fed as part of the flock's winter ration and legume pastures should be used if they are available. If legumes cannot be fed during the winter, the ewes should get some grain daily.

The breeding flock should be drenched three times each year to kill internal parasites, and the lambs should be drenched once or twice before they are marketed. External pests can be eradicated by dipping the sheep. Several communities have built dipping vats which are used cooperatively. A mineral mixture for the flock is prepared by mixing 50 pounds salt, 50 pounds special steamed bone meal, and one ounce of potassium iodide. The use of the iodine preparation decreases the number of lambs affected by goiter.

Looking Forward

Joseph spent his vacation with a great-aunt who showed the fat all of her keepakes.

The lad's sixth birthday was drawing near and a member of the family inquired what he wished most for a gift.

"A mustache cup," he announced.

It Can Be Done

"What a lovely sunset. The sun sinks lower and lower."

"Let it sink below par if it likes I have no share in it."

Nothing Doing

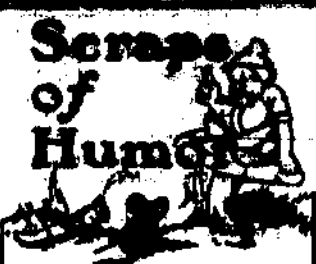
"Sir, I want your daughter for my wife."

"Young man, you tell your wife she can't have her."

A Washout

Teacher—What was one of the longest reigns in history?

Student—I don't know but I guess the Flood would head the list.



VALUED REWARD

"You have labored faithfully in the service of your country."

"My country," replied Senator Sorghum, "has rewarded my efforts."

"What reward do you especially value?"

"If you are speaking in a purely practical sense, I don't know of anything I appreciate more than the special parking facilities a statesman enjoys in Washington, D. C."

PRESENT WORRIED



She—This is my birthday. He—Just think we'll be married in a few months.

She—Never mind the future, how about the present?

A Kew Shopper

Wife—What's this sales tax they're talking about?

Husband—Oh, it means if you buy something for a dollar the government will get, say, three cents.

Wife—Well, it's all right as long as they don't put the tax on 99-cent items.

Synaphy

Employer—Just how would it affect you, Smithers, if we let you go?

Bookkeeper—I'd have to tend the baby, sir, and wash dishes and scrub the kitchen floor and—

Employer—Say no more. I'll let some single man go instead.

In Court

Since the juror showed some signs of distress, the court very kindly asked: "Mr. Juror, are you able to hear well?"

"I ought to be, Judge, I just paid \$500 to have my ears fixed."

He was excused.

No Customers Now

"You say Jones got an electric shock?"

"Yes, he sells ice and you know what happened to the apartment trade."

HAS HE EATEN IT?



Sporty Girl—He says he's a good judge of horse flesh.

Innocent Thing—Mercy, Ethel, do you think the man has actually eaten the flesh of a horse?

Not Nice

For nearly an hour she had been compelled to listen to the conversation of a fatuous admirer.

"I fell off my bicycle last week and was knocked senseless," he chuckled. "When do you expect to get better?" she asked quickly.—Border Cities Star.

Curiosity's Purpose

Curiosity in children nature has provided to remove that ignorance they were born with, which, without this busy inquisitiveness, will make them dull.—Locke.

Subsequent Requires No Special Place for "His"

Where a few more or less well-known Pittsburghers carry the bank roll (keeping without for the sake of their dignity) is a prominent member of the old phrase "heroes of the sock and buskin" received its origin at this time, notes a Vancouver (B. C.) paper.

The town's most colorful gambler packs his, which is big enough to require a rubber band, loose in a trouser pocket. Another has built-in pockets along the belt band of his jeans and in his vest, which hold a "last stake" in case of emergency.

A political figure of the Hill district is said to start the day with \$10 in quarters loose in a coat-pocket. By evening he has dispensed them all to impecunious followers who park on his trail. An ex-pugilist carries his "pape" in a shoe.

The greenbacks of a movie organizer may be found inside his right sock, just below the garter. (Oh, that's all right. Don't mention it.) And a certain columnist carries his roll loose in a pants pocket. He likes to hear it and his keys jingle.—Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

Fitness a Requisite for Business Success?

I have heard of many secrets of success and have tried quite a share of them to no avail, but until recently I remained innocent of the fact that an inability to get fat may keep a good man down. Then a handsome young man of 18 and a supple figure confessed to me his great desire to add 60 or 100 pounds to his weight as a stepping stone to commercial advancement.

"In my business," he complained, "all of the bosses are fat fellows. They look at me and I can see them saying to themselves: 'He's too thin to be much good.' I am, as a matter of fact, very good indeed, far better than my bosses realize, but I'll never have an even chance until I acquire more weight."—Baltimore Sun.

Seaweed as Food

Seaweed (dulse) was chewed in Scotland before tobacco took its place, says a bulletin of the National Geographic society. Now Scotch and Irish cooks use it to thicken and give a red color to soup. Boiled laver in England, also known as aloe in Ireland and slack in Scotland, is a palatable cooked seaweed. Japanese seaweed "plantations" produce from \$150 to \$300 worth of seaweed per acre. Kombu and amanori are two of the chief seaweed products which have figured largely in the development of the Japanese seaweed industry. In Osaka there are 45 kombu factories. Shredded kombu is cooked with meat and soups and served with vegetables. Powdered kombu is an ingredient of sauces and soups and rice dishes, while kombu leaves make a popular Japanese tea.

Editorial Advancement

"There is an improvement in the American newspaper press upon which we look with a favorable eye—the employment of talented men as conductors," noted the Onondaga (N. Y.) Register, 100 years ago. "But a few years have elapsed since the business of a newspaper editor was deemed that of a mere compiler, and he who was the most expert with the editorial chair of some of our greatest and ablest men of the first standing and ability, while the pens of jurists and statesmen of high rank are not considered as disgraced by being occasionally employed in contributing to their columns."—Detroit News.

Taking Precautions

During the conversation the question of superstitions arose.

"Of course, I never walk under a ladder," avowed Mrs. Smith. "I think that's the unluckiest thing."

"But how absurd!" put in Mrs. Wilson. "Why I walk under every ladder I meet! I just cross my heart, and cross my fingers, and I make sure that I have a piece of wood to touch, and when I have passed under the ladder I turn in my tracks three times. You see, it's simple, and if you do that every time you walk under a ladder you'll be perfectly safe. I really can't stand these silly superstitions."—Stray Stories.

East Indian Traits

Amazing as it seems, even East Indian doctors who have studied in European universities and Indian nurses who have been trained in European hospitals sink back into the unbounded filth and foulness of the Orient if they chance to be stationed in some remote spot where they are out of touch with European methods. This is the only explanation why the water of the Ganges not only is drunk by believers at a moment of ecstasy but is considered a sovereign remedy and invaluable cure and is shipped all over India.—Exchange.

No Use

It was a warm December day. Joan wished to remove her shoes and go outside. The mother compromised by permitting her to run about the house in her bare feet, saying that it was not as warm outside as it looked. Joan retorted:

"Now, mother, there is no use to 'garble' the matter with me, for I know summer has come."

SICK BIRDS

If a few birds in the poultry flock become sick, it is usually better to kill them than to attempt to apply treatment. They may have some contagious disease which will spread through the flock before being recognized. If the poultry owner tries to treat sick birds, he may carry a disease to healthy birds, through handling or feeding.

Shoes Donated Rank

About the year 40 A. D. the shoes of the wealthier classes were enriched with precious stones. The patricians wore ivory crescents on the instep to distinguish them from the lower ranks of people. An interesting explanation of the old phrase "heroes of the sock and buskin" received its origin at this time, notes a Vancouver (B. C.) paper. The actors of this period used to wear very large masks, so that the body appeared disproportionately small. To remedy this and to raise their stature in order to appear more commanding, a thick-soled boot was invented and called the buskin. This shoe was used, however, only in tragedy scenes; in comic scenes a shoe similar to the sock or slipper called the soccus was used.

Speechless With Surprise

There's the case of the woman who had never won anything in a prize contest in her life, but bought a ticket for a certain radio raffle as a matter of habit.

At the drawing her number was flashed out of the box first and called by the announcer, but in the excitement of the moment the woman couldn't make her vocal cords work.

She opened her mouth, but no sound came forth. The master of ceremonies called the number again and she made a further heroic effort to speak. Again the number was called, but she could summon forth no sound.

So another number was drawn and the radio was awarded to some one else.—Chicago Evening Post.

Built Elaborate Homes

During the height of Grecian prosperity, the Roman empire in the West was rapidly becoming powerful. The rise and fall of Rome extends approximately over the period of from 750 B. C. to 450 A. D. The Romans first constructed their private gardens from ideas obtained in Greece and Asia-Minor. These together with their own tendencies aided in developing the famous Italian gardens of today. The first elaborate country homes were built during the Roman rule and at this period landscape architecture became more advanced than at any previous time.

Reason for Scottish Thrift

Scotland throughout its history has been a poor country. Its land, with small exceptions, was infertile, its climate bad, with long hard winters and short, frequently dry summers, and it has also, through its history, been the scene of much strife, both foreign and civil. To surmount such conditions a people must be of a more frugal, industrious and persevering habit, and the exercise of these virtues may at times have developed into a hardness and thrift which have been commented on unfavorably and undoubtedly much exaggerated.

Odd Ceremonies That British Cities Retain

New mayors who wish to start picturesque customs might take lessons from ceremonies that English mayors must go through.

At High Wycombe the mayor has to undergo a kind of "weighing in" ceremony. He proceeds to the weights and measures department of his borough with his aldermen and councillors, and there, with due solemnity, each member of the council is weighed. Their weights are entered faithfully in the civic records.

The new mayor of Lincoln, and at several other places, has a ring placed upon his finger. The ceremony is intended to symbolize the wedding of the mayor to his borough or city.

At Hanley, in Staffordshire, and at Bournemouth the retiring mayor and the new mayor embrace each other. Strictly, they should kiss, but this part of the ceremony has been allowed to lapse.

The new mayor of Brightlingsea is elected to office in the belly of the parish church.

There are also strict customs in connection with the banquet which follows the election. At Yarmouth a sprat feast is held. At Peterborough the mayor and his guests always consume sausages and champagne, though no one seems to know how this custom originated.

Who was Who?

By LOUISE M. COMSTOCK

BLACK MARIA

FOR many years it was not the "blue chariot" that carried the rich and the powerful and the famous to jail; police-raided dives and gambling joints, but they didn't bundle their captives off in a "cage on wheels." Instead, they sent for the "Black Maria," and thus paid dubious honor to one of the most un-Boston-like of our early Bostonians.

In old Colonial days a negro named Maria Lee kept a prosperous sailor's boarding house in Boston. She was a woman of gigantic stature and prodigious strength, and used them to good advantage in maintaining quiet and order not only in her own establishment but all up and down the water front—and this in a day when ships curled canvas and sailmakers ashore were wont to be a rioting and liberty-taking lot. Such was her reputation for instilling awe and obedience into the hearts of the lawless that the police authorities frequently enlisted her aid in making arrests. It is said that she once, single-handed, herded into the lockup three trembling sailors, lately bold and swaggering, on a too-timid shore leave.

Finally, so often did the strong arm of the law lean for assistance on the stronger arm of Maria Lee that to "send for Black Maria" became an anonymous with "send for help in getting this disorderly person to jail," and the name "Black Maria" thus passed to the police wagon or patrol to which it has stuck until the gangster and racketeer have coined for them new terms more in keeping with the modern scene.

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DID YOU KNOW?

That eighty-seven enlisted men of the United States Navy were commended by the Secretary of the Navy for saving lives at the risk of their own during 1931?

That the present strength of the Navy Nurse Corps is 529? They are assigned to Naval Hospitals ashore, and to hospital ships afloat.

That U. S. Navy transports pay the same rate of tolls as other ships for passing through the Panama Canal?

That the above information is furnished by the Navy Recruiting Station, 545 Randolph St., Detroit, Mich.?

Farm vs. City

On a farm a man has a chance to think things out.—Country Home.

Military and Civilian



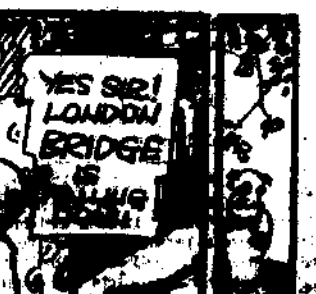
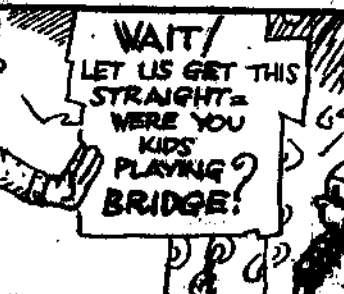
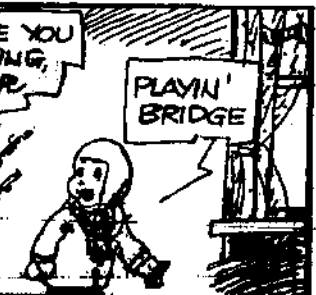
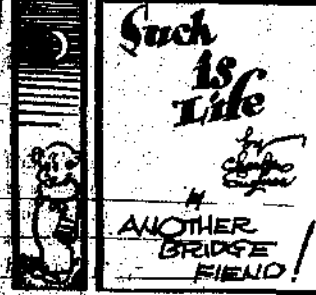
Although the fetching evening dress of etiquette, shown at the left, is conventionally civilian in its theme, the jaunty evening jacket at the right is definitely military in trend, owing, perhaps to the hostilities in China. The jacket is of blue rayon and is trimmed with brass buttons.

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Paris Plumber Is Highly Honored



France appreciates good craftsmanship. M. Verger, a plumber of Paris, is here seen being decorated with the medalion of the Legion of Honor by M. Pomaret, undersecretary of the French Technical Educational society, for having been named one of the eighteen best tradesmen in all of France.



POTPOURRI

Which Falls Faster?

An Italian, Galileo, in the sixteenth century first proved to man that two bodies of unequal mass when dropped from almost equal heights at the same time would reach the earth at the same time. Aristotle had earlier expressed an opinion that the heavier body would arrive first. The experiment was tried from the leaning tower of Pisa. (© 1931, Western Newspaper Union.)

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Notice is further given that I will be at my office, Sheppensons Hotel bldg., on

Tuesday, February 23, Saturday, February 27, Saturday, March 5, 1932, from 8 o'clock a. m. until 8 o'clock p. m. on each of said days for the purpose of reviewing the registration and registering such of the qualified electors as may properly apply therefor. March 5th is the last day of registering by personal application.

Lorance Sparkes, Village Clerk.

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—(H)—

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some water to christen my
dolly?
Mother—No, dear.
Then may I have some wax
to waxinate her?
—(H)—

George—If I'd known that
the tunnel was going to be so
long I'd have kissed you.
Margie—Good heavens!
Wasn't that you?
—(H)—

Don't forget that Saturday
you can get 40 ft. of colored
wax paper and a roll of shelf
paper for 10c at Hanson Hard-
ware Co.
—(H)—

Saturday a step-on-can and
a wastebasket to match for
98c, all colors, at Hanson Hard-
ware Co.
—(H)—

You can't help but grin at
the Democratic wit who said:
"What this country needs right
now is another ex-president."

When you get your old paint
brush out, call phone 21 and let
us give you prices on paint.
Hanson Hardware Co.
—(H)—

Have you any last request to
make?
Yes. Ask the minister who
preaches my funeral sermon
not to say I am better off.
But you will be better off.
I know it, but my wife will
think I told him to say it.
—(H)—

Teacher—What is an island?
Bright Boy—A place where
the bottom of the sea sticks up
through the water.
—(H)—

Willie—Say, mother, you re-
member you said the dentist
was painless?
Mother—Well?
He isn't. When I bit his
finger he yelled like mad.
—(H)—

Jack Dempsey tells us that
an amateur never knows how
bad he is till he tries to turn
professional again.
—(H)—

Do you know that Saturday
you can get one 40 ft. roll of
colored waxed paper and one
roll of shelf paper to match for
10c at Hanson Hardware Co.

Hanson Hardware Co.
Phone 21

Local Happenings

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1932

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Darveau were
in Gaylord Sunday and spent the
day with Mr. and Mrs. John Harris.

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SHOES FOR WOMEN
are made in
A WIDE RANGE OF

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Sizes and Widths
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OLSON'S
Shoe Store

Women's \$2.75 all-rubber slippers
for \$2.10 at Olson's.

Carl Goodwin and Harry Pickett
spent the week end at their home in
Allegan.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVere Cushman and
son Robert were in Ypsilanti over
the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. George Biggs spent
Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs.
John Corwin in Beaver Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hanson and
Miss Elizabeth Swanson were in
Bay City Saturday on business.

There will be a regular meeting
of Grayling Chapter O. E. S. No. 83
Wednesday evening, March 8.

Mrs. T. M. Kenny of Michigan
Public Service Co. of Cheboygan was
in Grayling Saturday on business.

Mersey Hospital Aid society will
meet at the home of Mrs. Emil Neid-
er Thursday afternoon, March 10.

John Mathieson is driving a new
Essex Sedan purchased from the
local agency, Corwin Auto Sales.

The interior of the Corwin Auto
Sales office is being treated to a fresh
coat of paint. Adolph Peterson is
doing the work.

Ladies all rubber articles at 25%
off, Grayling Mercantile Co.

Miss Fern Whitman returned to
her home in Columbus, Ohio, Sunday
after visiting friends here for a few
weeks.

Miss Olga Nelson is unable to at-
tend her duties at the John Bruum
Real Estate office this week owing to
illness.

Master Clarence Hoseli spent the
week end at the home of his sister,
Mrs. George Mallinger in Higgins
Lake.

Mrs. Clyde Peterson was absent
from her duties at the Drs. Keyport
& Clippert offices for a few days owing
to illness.

Paul Hendrickson left Monday for
Detroit to attend a convention of
the General Electric Refrigerator Co.
held at the Hotel Statler this week.

Wm. Miller returned to Lansing
Sunday, where he is employed on the
Lansing State Journal, after spend-
ing his vacation with his mother,
Mrs. Earl Whipple and family.

The Woman's Home Missionary
society will meet at the home of Mrs.
Emil Niederer on Wednesday after-
noon, March 9. A Lenten offering
will be taken up at this meeting.

Mrs. Lon Colleen and daughter Mrs.
Laurence Trudeau left for Detroit
Wednesday to visit Mrs. Colleen's
sister Mrs. Geo. Labo for a few
weeks.

Six daughters now grace the Earle
Hewitt household, as another girl was
born to Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt at
Mercy-Hospital yesterday. Mother and
baby are getting along nicely.

Men's \$5.50 Lace Boots now \$4.39,
at Olson's.

A few friends gathered at the
home of Mrs. Luther Herrick last
Thursday to remind her it was her
birthday. The ladies spent an en-
joyable afternoon and a nice lunch
was served.

Mrs. Martha Gills, age 78, passed
away at her home in Pontiac Wed-
nesday, February 24. The remains
were brought to Grayling for burial
Friday. Mrs. Gills was a former resi-
dent of Frederic.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sales visited
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James
Carrievau at Jackson this week. They
were accompanied home by Mrs.
John Charlefour and Miss Madonna
Carrievau Wednesday.

The Ladies Aid society of Mich-
elson Memorial church will meet at
the home of Mrs. Holger Schmidt Fri-
day afternoon, March 4. Each mem-
ber is asked to bring a towel to hem
and donate it to the society.

The interior of the Grayling State
Savings Bank is undergoing a course
of remodeling and being nicely re-
decorated. The stairway has been
removed enlarging the lobby. A new
congleum rug on the floor adds
greatly to its appearance.

Jess Schoonover returned from De-
troit Sunday and reports that his
daughter Miss Pauline Schoonover,
who is ill with diphtheria at the
Herman Kiefer Hospital, Detroit, is
slowly improving. Mrs. Schoonover
is remaining in Detroit.

Elmer Neal acted as referee at
Roscommon Friday night for the bas-
ket ball game between Roscommon
and Houghton Lake High schools.
Roscommon defeated Houghton Lake
by the score of 18 to 22. Several
Grayling fans attended the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jackson of
Mt. Morris are visiting at the home
of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gierke. They
expect to make their home in this
county, having rented a farm south
of Grayling. Mrs. Jackson will be
remembered as Emma Knight, who
formerly resided in Grayling.

Scott Hale was arrested Saturday
night by Night Marshal Bert DeFrais
and was brought before Justice Peter-
son Monday morning on a charge of
disorderly conduct. He was given a
suspended sentence with costs or 4
days in jail. He paid the costs and
was discharged.

Four civil suits were started
against the City Consumers Ice Co.
of Jackson Monday and garnishes
papers served on that Company's bank
account. The plaintiffs were Walter
Loper, Clarence MacCauley, George
Swarthout and Clair Millikin. A hear-
ing on the case will be held at the
Court house the first of next week.
The trouble arose over a dispute of
wages paid the plaintiffs.

SCHOOL NOTES

Grayling High School has been
declucted by the epidemic of flu
which is prevalent all over the state.
However it has not been decided
necessary to close the school and
work goes on steadily forward in
spite of the handicaps imposed
through partial class attendance.
Some schools have closed it is true,
but not many when one considers the
fact that all are more or less in-
volved in the same conditions. Many
are operating on about the same basis
as the local school.

Due to the health problem there
was some doubt as to the advisability
of holding the tournament of this
week. It was decided that conditions
here are not enough worse to war-
rant such action, unless it was to be
done generally throughout the state.

These three tournament articles
are taken from those resulting from
a class assignment in Sociology. The
class is studying some of the prob-
lems of Journalism and has been
writing stories on various topics re-
lating to the course. These were
selected by the class:

(By Wesley Sammons)
The District tournament which is
taking place starting Thursday night
at the High School gym is expected
to be one of the best in years.

The coaches of the entered teams
were in Grayling Saturday of last
week and drew their ticket to find
out who they play. The "Big Four"
of former years is warming up for
the big fight, Friday night when
Grayling plays Gaylord and Lake
City plays West Branch. The teams
of the last three mentioned are made
up of Seniors in High school or vet-
erans who have played for several
years in past tournaments and have
shown some good work. The Gay-
lord team is made up of some vet-
eran star performers who have won
nearly all of their games. Lake City
has about all of the same team of
last year including Davenport who
won great praise for his good work
in the last year's tournament. West
Branch has won just about all of
their games this year and they are
planning on taking the championship
of the tournament. But not forget-
ting our home team, we think and
hope that they are going to come
through and be the equal of any
team in the district.

There are six entries for the class
D. Roscommon and Mio will appear
in the first game of the tournament
Thursday night. This looks as though
it will be a very hard-fought battle
because of their having no consola-
tion game, either one or the other will
have to drop out of it for good after
this first game. Both of the teams
are evenly matched and it is not an
easy job beforehand to tell which
has the better chance. After the
Roscommon and Mio game and Johan-
nesburg and St. Joe of West Branch
will complete to find which has the
better ball club. Last year St. Joe
was runner-up in Class D and
Houghton Lake with a new team
showed the making of a good team in
the future. After this St. Mary's,
the champions of Class D of 1931,
will take on the winner of the Ros-
common and Mio game and Johan-
nesburg, a new team, but with a very
promising future will play the winner
of the St. Joe and Houghton Lake
game Friday afternoon. The finals
for Class C and D will be played Sat-
urday night under the management
of referee Abraham from Cadillac.
The Grayling Band will be there.

(By Milford Parker)
Thursday brings the tournament
around again and with it the op-
portunity for some team to make
new basketball history.

Grayling drew Gaylord which
means a big battle, for Grayling has
been holding some bad hands and
tournament time means her chance
for redemption.

Lake City has the idea they are
going to pick West Branch to pieces
with Davenport a senior on their
team playing forward. This is a
promising game.

Roscommon and Mio are scheduled
to play the first game for class D
and Mio is ready for a big play
this year. Mio was quarantined last
tournament time and they feel they
missed out on a pile of fun.

St. Mary's with nearly a veteran
team drew a bye and will play the
winner of the Roscommon-Mio game.
St. Joseph who holds the reputa-
tion of having a tall team and run-
ners-up in '31 are waiting to clean
up on Houghton Lake, but will they?
Johannesburg drew a bye and will
play the winner of the Houghton
Lake-St. Joseph game. It is their
first appearance at our tournament.
Tabraham from Cadillac is official
referee. Lack of finances influences
the omission of the consolation tour-
nament.

(By Wilbert Swanson)
The tournament which will be held
at Grayling, March 3-4-5 promises
to be a very good one. The tourna-
ment has been well planned and the
entries are very equally matched.
There are four Class C schools and
six Class D schools.

The first game that will be played
will be Thursday night between
Roscommon and Mio. Roscommon
has been having very good luck and
have about the same players as last
year. Mio did not enter this tour-
nament last year because they were
closed down for sickness, but will
make up for it this year.

St. Mary's, the champions of Class
D last year, will play the winners of
the Mio and Roscommon game. St.
Mary's has won most of their games
and have one new McCoy this year.
Houghton Lake will play St. Joe
Thursday night. Houghton Lake had
a very good game with Roscommon

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STATE NEWS BULLETIN

In caring for indigents, Michigan
spent \$1,965,689 more for the year
ending Sept. 30, 1931, than for the
same period ending Sept. 30, 1930.

According to compilation by the De-
partment of State from annual re-
ports of the Poor of Michigan's 83
counties. This compilation is requir-
ed by law annually.

Almost all of the increased cost
was due to unemployment. In 1930
the total cost of temporary aid for
indigents outside institutions was
\$10,180,046 while in 1931 the cost was
\$21,054,563.

The number who received assist-
ance in 1930 was 372,763 as com-
pared with 668,963 in 1931, an in-
crease of 396,200.

During the year covered by the
present compilation, 21,670 persons
were aided in infirmaries; 2,274 in
other institutions; 619,326 were given
temporary aid; and 25,592 were re-
ceiving permanent aid outside in-
stitutions.

Poor farms and equipment in the
state are valued at \$15,043,553, the
compilation shows.

Major Albert Dunham, keeper of
the Great Seal of Michigan in the

Department of State, was guest of
honor at a banquet of veteran state
employes recently. Major Dunham
is 37 years of age and on April 1,
will have served Michigan for 33
consecutive years. He is the oldest
state employe, both in age and in
years of service.

LOVELLS NEWS

Edgar Caid entertained his little
friends on his birthday. Mrs. Caid
served the little guests a delicious
lunch.

Clarence Ayers and Mr. Moran of
Detroit were at the North Woods
Club a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Gregg and Iris
Nephew were callers at Gaylord Sat-
urday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caid are home
again after spending some time in
Lewiston.

The Lovells ladies have formed a
singing club. They have named it
"The Cheerful Givers". Mrs. Lola
Fagenfus is president, and Mrs.
Gideon Kibbler is secretary-treasurer.
The ladies met at the home of Mrs.
Clarence Stillwagon last week.

Miss Hattie Small visited a few
days at Mio last week.

Virginia Feldhauser was out of
school last week on account of being
ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Duby, Ray
Duby and Alfred Hanna, went to
Lewiston last Friday.

Father Sage Says

It isn't altogether
comatose, but though
a man marries for
the sake of the din-
ple, it may be th-

trying pan that more securely anchor-
him, afterward.



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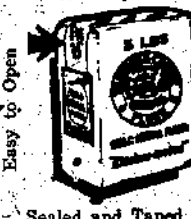
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29c	23c	15c
NIBLITS CORN	2 1/2 size sliced PINEAPPLE	31c
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14c	43c	

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PROMPT DELIVERY

Hospital Notes

Mrs. Hall of Roscommon is still a patient at Mercy hospital, receiving treatment.

Janet Peterson of Roscommon is a patient at Mercy hospital.

Mrs. John Yull Jr. of Vanderbilt who underwent an operation for appendicitis last week was dismissed from Mercy hospital today.

Mrs. Edith Pauly of Cheboygan is receiving medical treatment at Mercy hospital.

Mrs. Stanley Breaugh of Houghton Lake is a patient at Mercy hospital, receiving medical treatment.

Ernest Larson who had his arm set at Mercy hospital a couple of weeks ago is rapidly improving.

Mrs. George Kudzen is at Mercy hospital for observation.

Miss Ingeborg Hanson is improving and expects to be dismissed from the Hospital the last of the week.

ST. HELEN NEWS

The auditorium of the Gerriah-Higgins High School, Roscommon, was crowded Saturday night with the depositors of the Roscommon State Bank to listen to a plan for the reopening of the bank. Confident enthusiasm was the keynote throughout the meeting as various speakers addressed the audience.

Frank R. Johnson of Houghton Lake was chairman of the meeting, supported by J. J. McGrath, temporary receiver for the bank.

State Senator H. J. Orr and Judge Hal Smith of Caro, who have done much fine work in reorganization of the bank at Caro, explained how the proposed plan would be worked. These gentlemen were followed by brief talks from O. F. Barnes, Lansing; George H. Boyd, Saginaw; Eugene Matheson and E. H. Berthel of Roscommon, and John Carter, St. Helen. All of these speakers dwelt upon the great need and advantage of reopening the bank. The plan to be adopted in reopening the bank is to set aside 30% of deposits as a trust fund. The other 70% of the deposits will be amortized over a period of four years, withdrawals being limited to 15% the first year.

The capital stock of the bank is \$200,000 and it was shown that the stockholders are ready to subscribe the 100% on their stock as required by law. The reorganized bank will reopen with about \$50,000 cash on hand.

A depositor's committee to act with the directors of the bank was appointed, consisting of William Houghton, M. J. Loughray and Sidney Dyer.

A printed agreement for depositors to sign was presented and it is thought that over 80% of depositors signed those agreements at the meeting thus virtually assuring the success of the plan.

The Union caucus held in Roscommon on Tuesday evening was one of the most long-drawn and exciting ever held in the village, lasting more than two hours, while they are usually concluded in about fifteen minutes. There will be but one ticket in the field as follows: president, Herman Bertl, Sr.; clerk, Kenneth Kiely; incumbent, treasurer, Edna Meade; assessor, Louis K. Sackrider; trustees, George E. Carpenter, Squire Meade, Willard Williams, C. A. LaRoque, D. E. Matheson, and Herman Bertl, Sr. were named as the Union committee for the coming year.

Dr. and Mrs. Hammond of Port Sanilac have located in Roscommon arriving the first of the week and have taken up their residence in the home of Mrs. Blanche Loughray. Mrs. Hammond is a trained nurse.

The winter spearing season closed February 29th and the spring spearing season opened the next day. Pike may not be speared at any time during the spring season. Artificial lights formerly legal, are now illegal.

Caucus Notices

Republican Caucus

The Republican electors of the Township of Grayling will meet in Caucus at the Court House, Grayling, Mich. on

Monday, March 14, 1932

at 8:00 o'clock p. m., Eastern Standard Time, for the purpose of nominating the following Township officers, to-wit: 1 Supervisor, 1 Clerk, 1 Treasurer, 1 Highway Commissioner, 1 Justice of the Peace, 1 Member of the Board of Review, Overseers of Highways, Districts Nos. 1 and 2, and 4 Constables, and to transact any other matters that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated March 2, 1932.

By Order of Township Committee.

Democratic Caucus

The Democratic electors of the Township of Grayling will meet in Caucus at the Town Hall, Grayling, Mich. on

Monday, March 14, 1932

at 8:00 o'clock p. m., Eastern Standard Time, for the purpose of nominating the following Township officers, to-wit: 1 Supervisor, 1 Clerk, 1 Treasurer, 1 Highway Commissioner, 1 Justice of the Peace, 1 Member of the Board of Review, Overseers of Highways, Districts Nos. 1 and 2, and 4 Constables, and to transact any other matters that may legally come before the meeting.

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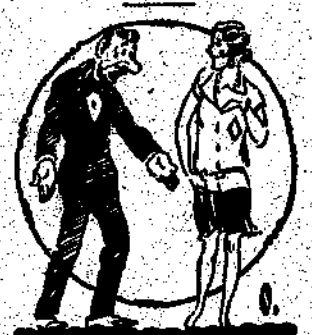


POOR PROSPECT AHEAD

Jack—You say after taking her out to dinner once you decided right off the bat she was not the girl for you to marry?

Jim—You got it right the first time. She'd keep me broke during the courtship buying the dinners she'd want, and I'd go bankrupt after we were married putting out money for the reduction dopes she'd be needing.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

OH!



Question—Why is it you won't marry me. You said it would be grand?
Answer—Because, there's some one who'd object. And my husband is the man.

No Exaggeration

Young Post—How do you like my poem?
Critic—Sir, there are poems there that Shakespeare or Shelley could not have written.

Foot—It is kind of you to say so.
Critic—One is about the cinema and the other about wireless.—Weekly Scotsman.

Devil and the Deep Sea

"I hear you're going to marry that old Mr. Gayboy."

"Yes, I've decided to accept him."

"You're making a mistake, my dear. He'll lead a double life."

"Well, if I don't marry him I'll lead a single life, and that is worse."—Boston Transcript.

Definite Information

"Dorothy," said the busy mother, "go in and turn on the radio and see if you can get the right time."

The child came back presently and announced, "It's simple soap suds time now, mother."

Oh, My Operation!

First Woman—Not feeling well lately?
Why, my dear, you're looking perfectly splendid.

Second—Ditto—I know, but it takes all my strength to keep my appearance.—Boston Transcript.

BARREN OF GOOD SENSE



"He has a title you know. He's the baron of—oh, what is it?"

"Barren of good sense, I'd say."

Sore Problem

"Jack, you didn't shave this evening."

"No, dear. I shaved this morning and it makes my face sore to shave twice a day."

"Well, it makes my face sore when you shave only once."—Boston Transcript.

Both Deceived

Youth—After we're married I'm afraid you're going to find out that I am not as rich as you think I am.

The Girl—That's all right. You're going to find out that I'm really not as beautiful as you think I am.—Montreal Star.

He Could Tell 'Em a Few

"Who gives the bride away?" inquired the parson.

"I could," snorted the beaten rival, "but I wouldn't be so mean."—Florida Times Union.

Home Furnishings

"This is a suitable book for the living room."

"Well, let's try it under a bridge lamp."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Somebody Tell Him!

"No man who is too nice would allow you to carry on the way you do."

"How do you know what a man with any sense would do?"

Belief's Stronghold

Three means to fortify belief: of experience, reason and authority; of these the more potent is authority, for belief upon reason or experience will stagger.—Bacon.

Pride of Iniquitousness

A person who is too nice an observer of business of the crowd, like one who is too curious to observing the labor of the bees, will often be stung for his curiosity.—Pope.

News Review of Current Events the World Over

Washington Bicentennial Opened by President Hoover—
Stimson's Stern Warning to Japan—Chinese
Pushed Back in Terrific Battle.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

EVERY city, town and hamlet in the United States and most of the capitals of the world paid tribute to the character and achievements of George Washington on Monday, the two hundredth anniversary of his birth.

The celebrations, fostered by Congress and the President, will continue in this country through most of the year in one form or another. Officially, the bicentennial doings were opened in Washington when President Hoover delivered an address before a joint session of Congress which was attended by all high officials of the government, the members of the Supreme court and the diplomatic corps.

Standing before the brilliant gathering, Mr. Hoover called on the American people to rededicate themselves to those principles befitting a free people of which Washington was a living exponent. "We have need again," he said, "to bring forth the picture of the glories and the valor of Lexington and Concord and Bunker Hill, the suffering and fortitude of Valley Forge, the victory of Yorktown. We have need to revive the meaning and the sheer moral courage of the Declaration of Independence, the struggles of the continental congress, the forming of the Constitution."

No part of these great events, the President reminded those who packed the galleries, "can be separated from the name and the dominant leadership of George Washington."

There were many other ceremonies in and near Washington. The President laid a wreath on Washington's tomb at Mount Vernon; the Richmond Light Infantry Blues and the Richmond Grays marched in a colorful parade through Alexandria; the National Education association in convention were addressed by Mr. Hoover; and in the evening there was a grand colonial ball in Washington and a "birthright ball" at Gadsby's tavern in Alexandria duplicating as far as possible the last birthday ball Washington attended there in 1793.

THROUGH the medium of a letter to Senator Borah, Secretary of State Stimson served notice on Japan and the world at large that the United States still stands by the open door policy announced by John Hay in 1899.

Recognized by the Washington conference of 1921-22 and implicit in the nine-power treaty and other agreements concerning the Pacific, these facts he declared to be interdependent, and the maintenance of the integrity of China necessary for the welfare not only of China but of the whole world. In effect Mr. Stimson's statement is a threat by the administration that the United States will abrogate the Washington treaty limiting the capital ship strength of the naval powers and restricting American defenses in the western Pacific if Japan persists in disregarding the nine-power treaty guaranteeing the territorial integrity of China. He said if the Pacific treaties had been faithfully observed such a situation as now exists could not have arisen.

COACHED by skilful German soldiers, the Chinese troops in the Shanghai battle area successfully withstood a terrific attack by the Japanese that lasted three days and cost uncounted lives. The invaders shelled the positions held by the Chinese along the line to the Woosung forts almost continuously and repeated attempts to advance the infantry were made, but at the close of the operations the Chinese, badly battered, were still there. Two days later the Japanese army made a furious attack on Kiangwan, showering down huge bombs on the defenders; and then the troops again attempted to rush the Chinese positions, without any success. Reinforcements were called for and the Tokyo government, which had just won a victory in the elections, decided to send two more army divisions, and a full general to supersede Lieut. Gen. Kenkichi Ueyoda.

The Chinese government, encouraged and determined to resist to the last, was hurrying more troops to Shanghai and the energetic T. V. Soong was making marked progress in his great task of raising money to keep up the fight. Large contributions were received not only from all parts of China but from Chinese in many other lands.

As the week neared the close the Japanese, enraged by the resistance they had met, launched a new offensive that was reported to be driving the Chinese back in disorder. This was the bloodiest battle so far in the Shanghai conflict. Japanese planes dropped crates of gasoline on Kiangwan and Miaoan, and bombs ignited the explosive and conflagrations resulted.

JAPAN'S reply to the latest admonition of the League of Nations council was received in Geneva and was found to be a stiffly worded and resentful report. The Japanese government, it said, could not understand why the appeal of the twelve powers was made to Japan, instead of to China, the real aggressor. The league

fact, it added, does not exclude self-defense, nor does it leave China free to attack everybody in sight. Tokyo told the league that its observations are "obscure" and "superfluous" for Japan entertains no territorial or political ambitions in China. Japan, said the note, cannot consider China as an "organized people" in the sense used by the league covenant, and declares it is impossible to treat the chaos in China as if it were order. Altogether, the reply from Tokyo was little less than a slap in the face for the league council.

ONE seeming result of the war in the Orient was the approval by the senate naval affairs committee of the Hale bill authorizing the expenditure of \$775,000,000 for the building of our navy up to tonnage parity with Great Britain and to the treaty ratio with Japan. Reversing its attitude of several weeks ago, the committee voted unanimously to report the measure to the senate with a recommendation that it be passed at once. A similar bill is still stuck in the house naval affairs committee.

BEFORE getting too far away from China, the latest developments in Manchuria must be recorded. With the assistance of friendly Chinese, including General Ma, who formerly fought them, the Japanese have carried out their plan to make Manchuria a state independent of China. They created a new state of Ankuo—which means "land of peace"—and it was announced that it would be ruled by Henry Pu-Yi, the young man who for a time was the "boy emperor" of China. Changchun was selected as the capital of Ankuo and public buildings there were being prepared for Henry's installation which was set for March 1. It was believed he would be declared president or dictator for life. Of course the government of Ankuo will be quite subservient to Japan.

This new state will not be permitted to exist unchallenged, however. Already rebellious forces have been collected and are reported to be moving against Hsiao Hsin, governor of Kiang province, and one of the leaders who organized Ankuo. Their attack was directed primarily at Imlempo, 90 miles from Harbin.

DELEGATES to the disarmament conference in Geneva will just talk until the Easter recess, which will begin March 19 and last probably two weeks. Then the subcommittees will get busy with all the proposals for armament reductions have been made by the various nations. Meanwhile the delegates can mull over these thirty-five plans and the draft convention offered by the preparatory committee. Such was the decision of the steering committee, which apparently thought the delay would give things a chance to turn for the better.

FRANCE'S new premier, Andre Tardieu, and his ministry and policies have been promptly given a vote of confidence by parliament. Tardieu will make no change in the French disarmament and reparations policies, he told the deputies. The government, he said, will participate in negotiations with a view to adjusting the reparations schedule, but it will not permit repudiation of existing agreements. In the field of disarmament the new ministry agrees with the last that security is a prerequisite to reduction of arms.

One change made by Tardieu, however, was the subject of hot debate. He has united the army, navy and aviation ministries into a single ministry of defense, the portfolio being given to Francois Perier. The premier defended the unified ministry, pointing out that the unified ministry gave France a tremendous advantage over other countries in discussing any scheme of disarmament and would enable the nation to make drastic cuts, both budgetary and direct, in certain branches of armament without sacrificing defensive strength.

GOV. WILLIAM H. MURRAY of Oklahoma is now a full-fledged candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination. Calling the newspaper men to the executive mansion in Oklahoma City, "Alfalfa Bill" handed out a statement to that effect. In it he declared he would "make no trade, form no combination nor compromise on any principle" for delegates or for the nomination.

"If successful my hands will be free of baseless influences," he said. "I feel reasonably certain of the election if nominated."

Thereupon this spectacular gentleman departed for Indiana where he made a number of addresses calculated to further his ambition.

Senator Burton E. Wheeler of Montana wrote to Governor Murray asking his opinion of the senator's bill to establish a bimetallic currency, and the governor's reply shows he thinks as did William Jennings Bryan.

"There can be no dispute about both gold and silver representing value as money," he wrote. "Since a sound currency should represent a limited proportion of value, plus a reserve of actual money, and since there is not sufficient gold to do this without a dilution of the money in circulation, it would seem essential that silver should be added, as was intended by the Constitution."

"The government should coin a sufficient amount of money, gold and silver, to take care of normal business, and, in addition, a sufficient per cent to become the basis for 'token' money, through bank currency. The world will suffer until that is done."

SPEAKER GARNER's plan for an economy committee to survey the possibilities of a reorganization of the government and reduction of federal expenditures was accepted by the house, the resolution being adopted by a surprisingly large bipartisan majority. The committee, which is to report by April 15, was named and began its work by asking President Hoover for his detailed views on reorganization and economies.

Drafting of the revenue bill increasing taxes to meet the deficit was started by the house ways and means committee. The measure will include a manufactures sales tax that is expected to bring in \$900,000,000. Secretary of the Treasury Mills told the committee that he didn't wholly approve of this feature but that the treasury would prepare a workable plan for assessment and collection of such an impost. It is proposed to apply the tax at the point of final processing before the article goes to the wholesaler. The same tax is to be levied on imported articles in addition to the tariff.

Representative Beck of Pennsylvania made an eloquent appeal to the house to refuse the appropriation of \$11,250,000 asked by the appropriations committee for the enforcement of prohibition during the fiscal year 1933. The house applauded him generously and then voted to sustain the appropriation.

EAMON DE VALERA'S home fall party won the elections in Ireland and he is almost certain to be the next president of the Free State.

With seven districts yet to elect, he and his labor allies have 77 seats in the new dail, to 69 for the government party and its independent supporters. President Cosgrave said he and his party had decided to go into opposition and not to seek any alliance to keep the sham fall out of power.

The Irish Labor party, according to its leader, Thomas Johnson, will go along with De Valera in his program of economic reconstruction, but it stands by the treaty with England, and if De Valera tries to abrogate this, the Laborites will turn his party out of office. They can do this, holding the balance of power. In Dublin it is believed the life of the new government will be short.

THREE candidates will oppose Paul von Hindenburg for the presidency of Germany. The nomination of Adolf Hitler, leader of the Fascists or National Socialists, was formally made, as was that of Theodor Duesterberg, head of the steel helmet organization, he being the Nationalist candidate. The Communist nominee is Ernst Thaelmann. The entry of Duesterberg and Hitler indicated that their attempt to unite on a candidate to run against Von Hindenburg had broken down. Hitler's headquarters recently had denied he was seeking the presidency.

GOVERNOR ROOSEVELT of New York took the bull by the horns defied Tammany and ousted from office Sheriff Thomas D. Farley of New York city. The governor said he was not satisfied with Farley's explanation of his income as revealed by the legislative investigation committee.

Farley has said he would give his support to Roosevelt's candidacy for the Presidential nomination, regardless of what action the governor might take in his case. Politicians did not agree on the possible effect of the governor's action.

Relief for Debtors: A moratorium is an emergency act of legislation authorizing a debtor or bank to defer specific payment or other payment for a given period.

It seems to us that the depression might have held off hitting us until after we had celebrated George Washington's 200th birthday.

The Log Office Says

Interesting bits of news and comment about Northeastern Michigan gathered by the E. M. T. A.

It seems to us that the former heavyweight champion, Jack Dempsey, should be given an executive job with the government's Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Gate receipts show the big fellow's fights have a remarkable way of bringing out the hoarded dollars.

The Investment That Pays—And speaking of dollars—and the extent to which you cooperate financially with the E. M. T. A. That financial cooperation is simply an investment. You subscribe to the E.M.T.A. which is your regional board of trade; your tourist association uses your money to help pay for the advertisements it places in newspapers and magazines. Those advertisements bring people—tourists, hunters, vacationists, seekers of home sites—into this section, which is your section.

Those people leave money. Their dollars are returned to your pockets. In other words, you have made an investment that has paid dividends.

So Big. Doubt as to the size of the dividends should fade. Last year, E.M.T.A. advertising in two magazines brought 687 inquiries into the Log Office. Checking these inquiries, getting information from those inquirers who came, the survey shows that these two ads brought about \$32,151.60 to Michigan.

In other words, figuring the cost of the advertisements, every eighth of one cent spent by the association for this particular advertising brought one dollar to Michigan.

This is just one case. Returns from different advertisements vary. But remember every member of ours who has taken time to learn the facts has discovered that for the seven years the tourist association has been advertising the money spent in advertising has returned excellent dividends.

Write or visit the Log Office and check for yourself.

It's Not New. In the Log Office files a copy of a

letter dated October 11, 1921 was found recently. Written by T. F. Marston more than ten years ago, the following paragraph applies just as aptly today as it did then:

"Each year we are going to have more people come to Michigan and these people leave a good deal of money here. Travel as cheaply as you please, it is impossible to get along without some expense and I believe even our farmers are going to learn that the summer trade is worth catering to in that these summer people can use much of the perishable products—small fruits and vegetables, which can be produced so easily in Presque Isle County and yet which do not find so large a sale as might be."

Perhaps a prize should be offered to discover if the recipient of the above remembers the letter.

The Season Is Near.

The Cheboygan Boosters Club has already received inquiries from Michigan, Indiana and Ohio concerning the resort and vacation territory around the tip of the lower peninsula.

The Hubbard Lake Resort Association is going ahead with plans for its new booklet. The Onaway Chamber of Commerce is preparing plans for its new tourist booklet.

Chambers of Commerce and Boosters Clubs, and the like, should remember that E.M.T.A. can render valuable aid in the preparing of booklets and in their distribution. Any local organization would find itself amply repaid for determining just what its tourist association can do to help them.

Add This. E.M.T.A. is carrying advertisements in the March issues of "The National Sportsman" and "Kiwanis Magazine."

Follow the ad campaign. It's just another way of keeping in touch with your business.

burg were here last Sunday at J. J. Higgins.

Last Friday evening Miss Helma Corsaut entertained sixteen of her friends with a Bunco party. Refreshments and a good time was reported.

Read your home paper. Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Registration Notice

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Grayling, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with the "Michigan Election Law," I, the undersigned Township Clerk, will, upon any day, except Sunday and a legal holiday, the day of any regular or special election or primary election, receive for registration the name of any legal voter in said Township not already registered who may apply to me personally for such registration. Provided, however, that I can receive no names for registration during the time intervening between the second Saturday before any regular, special or official primary election and the day of such election.

Notice is further given that I will be at Sorenson's Barber Shop on Wednesday, March 2, Saturday, March 19, Wednesday, March 23, 1932, from 8 o'clock a. m., until 7 o'clock p. m. on each of said days and from 8 o'clock a. m., until 9 o'clock p. m., on Saturday, March 26th, 1932—last day for the purpose of reviewing the registration and registering such of the qualified electors as may properly apply, therefor. March 26th is the last day of registering by personal application.

Dated March 2, 1932.

Carl Sorenson, Township Clerk.

